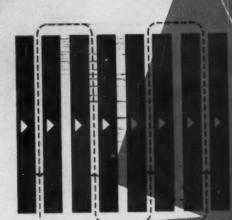
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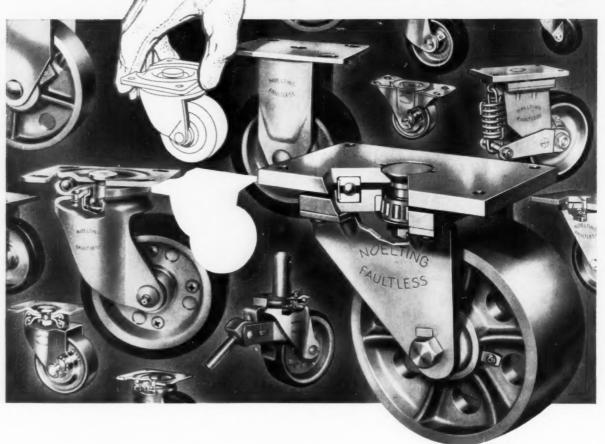
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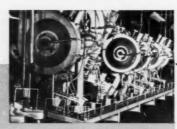
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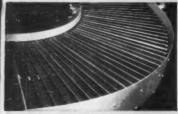
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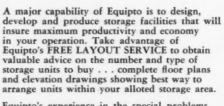


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Six spurs to productivity

Dr. Joseph Harrington Jr., Arthur D. Little Co., listed these spurs to productivity at a Cleveland meeting of the Manufacturing Engineering Council:

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- Don't squawk about cheap foreign labor; use it.
- Get better and more machinery to increase productivity; a tax cut on equipment would provide more capital.
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A pyramid of rubber



Just for fun, General Tire & Rubber Co. piled up 19 of the more than 1,000 different sizes of tires handled at its Akron warehouse. The base is a 33.5 x 39 off-the-road tire. On top is a small industrial truck tire. For a discussion of handling at this warehouse see "Just Enough Paperwork for Good Warehouse Control" on page 75.

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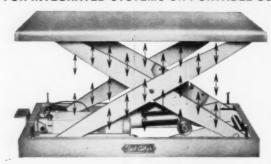
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Supports frozen foods handling codes

The Refrigerated Division, Ringsby Truck Lines Inc., strongly supports codes for handling consumer packaged frozen foods. There are two codes now under consideration, one by the Association of Food and Drug Officials of the United States, the other by the Frozen Food All Industry Coordinating Committee. Ringsby, while meeting standards of both proposals, favors the second because it's less rigid, provides a five-year period for gradually tightening the standards. Nevertheless, Ringsby feels that high standards are vital in frozen food handling.

21st Century monorail travel

EXIDE INDUSTRIAL DIVISION of The Electric Storage Battery Co. showed this model monorail system at the National Chemical Exposi-



tion, Chicago. The model is powered by a fuel cell. The exhibit was designed and built by (1 to r) Harry Casterlin, advertising department supervisor; H. C. Riggs, engineering department staff assistant, and Arthur J. Hedges, supervisor of publicity.

Better control with colored boxes

Allinson and Co., shoe manufacturers from England, eliminated a bottleneck by placing parts for shoe uppers in boxes colored according to the day on which they start into production. This enables a box of work to be traced easily and time measurements made, according to Target, British productivity publication. The firm also altered layout, streamlined work flow, installed rows of unit benches with more room. Results: output up 10 percent and costs down nearly 12 percent.

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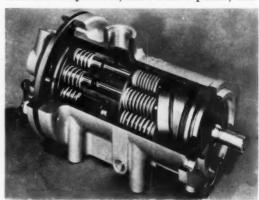
OSHAWA WHOLESALE LTD., IGA supply depot for 130 grocers in Southern Ontario, sponsored its first Lift Truck Roadeo at the firm's parking



lot. First place went to Frank Vihant, second, to Fred Lane. Here, Joe Crossman of the company presents an award in Vihant while Mrs. Vihant and baby bask in daddy's glory. Judges: Ron Dallas, American Material Handling Society, and Bill Amos, Lifto Ltd.

A new hydraulic pump

WEATHERHEAD Co. announced a highly efficient, variable displacement hydraulic pump, proved over two years of laboratory and field testing. For lift trucks, the firm recommends a pump in the 40 hp. range. It can provide motive power as well as power for the mast and attachments. The pump is an axial piston type with seven cylinders, each with a piston, con-



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A great opportunity to reduce costs

TRANSPORTATION AND CARGO HANDLING represent the greatest opportunity to reduce the cost of goods. This was hammered home at the general assembly and technical conference of the International Cargo Handling Coordination Association (ICHCA). Nearly 300 cargo handling experts from all over the world gathered in New York City. Eastern Editor Henry Lefer said the conference was particularly critical of the number of handlings goods go through. This leads to consideration of containerization, but with reservations. Lefer said standardization of containers appeared a lost cause to the conference, but not for trivial reasons: 1-Needs of users vary tremendously. 2-Less advanced nations cannot cope with containers. Some proposed solutions: 1-Aim for compatibility (means of handling containers) rather than standardizing containers themselves. 2-Combine unit loads and containers so, even if containers cannot be handled conveniently, their cargoes can. Some more conference highlights:

Distribution Costs Affect Consumer Prices. Gross National Product (U.S.) figures indicate physical distribution as the third largest cost of doing business. It's even more important in international trade with its long distances, more expensive packaging, and many handlings.

International Implications of Containerization. Additional encouragement toward standardization is needed at government levels. Other needs: creation of favorable carriers' tariff regulations and rates, and standardization of carriers' tariff conditions.

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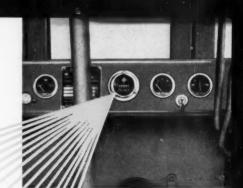
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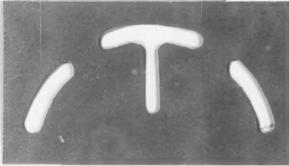
Covers all major features the buyer should know about overhead materials handling equipment. Has complete story on Tarca Track. Contains detailed equipment specifications and handy proposal evaluation form.



Sizes range from $8^{\prime\prime}$ to $20^{\prime\prime}$. Also special sizes are easily made to suit any overhead crane or monorail requirement. Tarca Track matches with existing Cleveland Tramrail track installations.

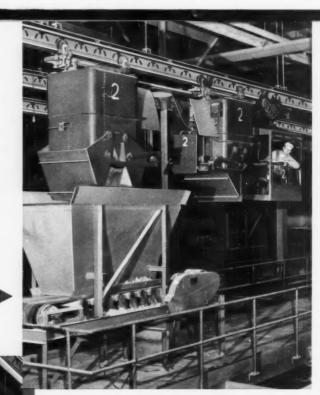


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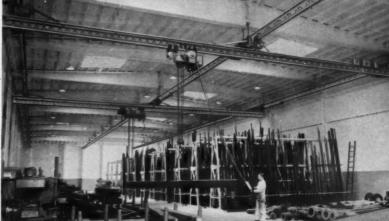
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Cleveland Tramrail has an enviable reputation throughout the Ceramic Industry for outstanding performance. Customers have reported that their installations subject to heavy, continual usage are serving them far beyond expectations.



In the Glass Industry Cleveland Tramrail advanced a method of handling mixed ingredients in buckets traveling between mixer and furnaces which prevents segregation. This has proven so successful in assuring uniform quality that today the entire production of many glass plants is dependent upon equipment like that illustrated here.

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Rug Handling System Triples Storage Space



Customer orders that formerly took an hour can be processed in three minutes. Unloading semitrailers once took 4 to 6 men eight hours. Now one man and a fork truck do it in an hour.

The Fred T. Lowy Linoleum & Rug Co., Inc., Minneapolis, tripled storage space without increasing floor space, and sped up its order processing when it bought 6-high steel racks, and stand-up LP-Gas trucks equipped with a 12-foot steel rug pole 2½-inches in diameter.

Up to three years ago, Lowy stacked its rolls of carpeting one on top of the other, two or three high. The rolls average 600 to 800 lb. Several men had to tug and pull to get a roll out of the pile. After cutting, the roll had to be tied up and carried back to the pile again. This manual labor took an hour.

A three minute job. Paul Friedman, branch manager, decided to buy racks and fork lifts to store

the rolls six high. The fork lift drives to the rack, inserts the rug pole in the core of the carpet roll, lifts it an inch or two, and the driver lowers the roll to the floor as he backs up. He stops the mast when the carpet roll is about a foot off the floor. Two warehousemen untie the cord that holds the roll, pull the carpeting out to the proper length. The rug pole acts as the roller. They cut what they want from the roll, and the roll is lifted back into the rack . . . all within 3 minutes. The customer's carpeting is then rolled up, and, depending on its size, either carried to the shipping dock by hand or by the fork lift.

The stand-up fork lift turns in a radius of 12 to 18 inches less than a sit-down, thus conserving warehouse space. Friedman says that the speed of processing orders alone paid for the truck in 4 to 6 months, enabled them to handle 15 to 20 times more orders in a day. He estimates a 300 percent

increase in storage space by going into the air on racks, without needing more warehouse space.—Motec Industries, Inc.

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Rack Design Ups Storage Capacity

Tay Holbrook, Inc., San Leandro, Calif., doubled its storage capacity while using 85 percent less floor space than before. The company wholesales plumbing, heating, and industrial supplies. They built a special rack to avoid:

- Waste space
- · Housekeeping hazards
- Inventory inconveniences.

Holbrook says the easy-to-reach bays take only 75 sq. ft. of floor space, yet they hold twice as much as they formerly had in 525 sq. ft.

They used 920 feet of standard duty galvanized slotted angle to

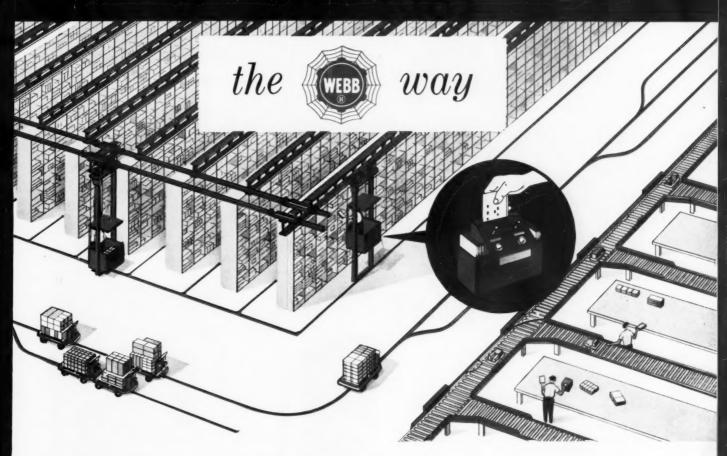


frame the compact structure. They sheared the angle to length, lined it up quickly and accurately, held it with either lock or friction-joint bolting.—Acme Steel Co.

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COST CUTTING IDEAS

Coloring Agent Stops Pilferage

The accurate metering of prussian blue dye into salt saved work and opened a new market for Morton Salt Company—the railroads.

The dye stains everything it

touches, so now no one steals bags of salt. Morton also meters, simul-



taneously, a dose of sodium tripolyphosphate into the salt to keep railroad cars from rusting.

Morton tried various ways of

feeding the prussian blue, all unsuccessful, because it is soft, powdery, very light. They needed a way to feed it into the salt at a closely controlled rate without dusting.

Morton's solution: a stainless steel feeder with vibrating and rotating feed screw worked so well they were able to bring out a new product, Formula 5, used by the railroads to prevent ice from forming in coal cars.— Vibra Screw Feeders, Inc.

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Carpet Handling Method Saves Storage Space

A boom-and-sling fork truck attachment handles 15-foot-long rolls of carpet quickly and safely at Greenpoint Terminal Warehouse, Brooklyn.

The system reduces handling time while increasing usable carpet storage area 66 percent. Greenpoint is the largest handler of imported carpets in the New York area.

Four men used to be needed to handle the carpets. They lifted the rolls by hand and put them on two



small 4-wheel dollies, one at each end of the roll. The rolls were awkward to handle, and impractical to stack manually more than three high in the warehouse.

Now, they quickly fit a web strap around the roll and attach the strap to a hook on the boom of a fork truck. Using the fork truck, they stack carpets five high, conserve space.—Clark Equipment Co.

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tenance, cuts operating costs, and makes driving easier, safer. It means less down time so that the trucks can spend more time on the job, and move more tons of material.

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these are just the beginning. More trucks with ASD are on the way to help you move goods more efficiently at lower cost. Ask your AUTO-MATIC dealer for the details, or write



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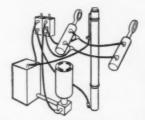


Silicone-insulated electric

especially for lift truck use. Silicone insulation withstands high operating temperatures caused by heavy-duty work cycles, prevents burn-outs and expensive repairs. Motor meets Class H specifications, the highest standard to which electric motors can be built.



Simplified controls — Lift and tilt controls are combined in one handle for easier, faster control of forks. Controls can be operated simultaneously or independently. Truck is also equipped with exclusive AUTOMATIC Current Miser Control which reduces current consumption during maneuvering operations.



Simplified hydraulics—Compact, simple design and short lengths of hose make hydraulic system easy to check and maintain.



Easy servicing — Easily removed covers expose all parts for servicing, simplify maintenance and battery checks.



NEW HEAVY-DUTY ELECTRIC DOES MORE WORK PER BATTERY CHARGE

Thanks to *Advanced Simplified Design, this new Model ERS electric truck delivers big truck performance in spite of its extremely compact size. The truck is available in capacities of 3,000 and 4,000 lbs., and is the only unit in this class that can accept a standard 18 cell, 21-plate battery without increasing the truck dimensions.

AUTOMATIC's unique Current Miser Control system provides added torque in low speeds, and saves as much as 60% of the battery power during maneuvering operations. This means more power for heavy-duty handling, less down-time for battery charges, longer work cycles, and more tons handled per battery charge.

The Model ERS also features fast travel (7.0 mph light), and high speed lifts (80 fpm standard, 140 fpm as an extra with 36 v. battery) for top efficiency on high production assignments. For additional details, call your nearby AUTOMATIC dealer or send coupon for literature.

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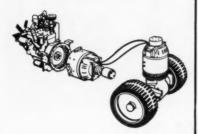


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HERE'S HOW ASD* MAKES THE MODEL GLF MORE ECONOMICAL, EASIER TO SERVICE



Electric drive efficiency — Since there is no direct coupling between engine and drive axle, engine speed is not dependent on truck speed. This means torque can be varied by the requirements of the load and that the engine can operate at its most efficient speed at all times. This efficiency has been proven in railroad use with the result that almost every locomotive in operation today is powered by a Diesel-electric unit.



Simplified power train—Engine plus variable voltage generator (one moving part) connected by two wires to electric drive motor (one moving part) equal *Advanced Simplified Design. This completely job-proven drive, as standard equipment on the GLF Series trucks, senses the power needs and automatically adjusts to varying torque and speed requirements. There are no shifting gears, no friction clutches, no slushing oil, no valving or piping—virtually nothing to wear out or cause trouble so common to other types of automatic transmissions.



Easy maintenance—All parts are easily accessible for maintenance by removing three pieces of shrouding—engine cover, floor board, and front cowling. Hydraulic pump can be removed by disconnecting two hydraulic fittings and unscrewing two bolts. Brakes can be adjusted without removing the wheels.



GAS-POWERED TRUCK WITH HIGH-EFFICIENCY TRANSMISSION

cuts fuel costs as much as 30%

There's a big difference in gas-powered trucks . . . and the AUTOMATIC Model GLF has the difference that makes real savings in fuel costs and maintenance expenses.

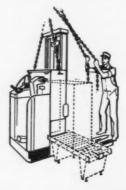
Actual field tests have shown the Model GLF's exclusive electric drive delivers gas savings up to 30%, compared to other types of automatic transmissions. The Model GLF is available in capacities of 3,000 through 10,000 lbs. with cushion tires; 3,000 through 8,000 lbs. with pneumatic tires. Choice of gas or LPG.

This is one more example of how AUTOMATIC has engineered lift trucks with *Advanced Simplified Design to give you more dependable, more economical trucks for the money. It's another reason why it pays to contact your nearby AUTOMATIC dealer when you need lift trucks. Call him . . . or mail coupon for full details on the Model GLF series.

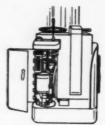
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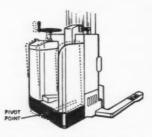
HERE'S HOW ASD* MAKES THE MODEL VST EASIER TO DRIVE AND SERVICE



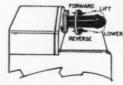
Battery removal top or side. Battery can be rolled out from either side. Steering wheel and Quadtrol controller swing back to allow overhead removal or servicing.



Accessibility of parts simplifies servicing. Rear cover swings out to put drive motor, electrical components, and brake within easy reach for servicing.



Knee action frame assures stability under all conditions. Straddle arm section pivots independently of drive unit section, preventing frame distortion, lack of traction, and instability on uneven floors.



Quadtrol control handle combines speed and lift controls in one unit for easier driving. One handle controls three speeds forward and reverse, plus lifting and lowering of the forks.



IT'S SO EASY TO DRIVE, NARROW AISLES SEEM WIDER

*Advanced Simplified Design has made this new AUTOMATIC Model VST a real performer in narrow aisles. It is not only extremely compact and maneuverable, but its simplified controls permit faster, safer driving. Aisles actually seem wider with the Model VST on the job. Result: More goods handled in space-saving narrow aisle warehouses and other cramped storage areas.

Thanks also to Advanced Simplified Design, maintenance is easier and requires less time. The truck stays on the job longer and moves maximum tonnage. The Model VST is available in capacities of 2,000, 3,000 and 4,000 lbs. Get the full details. Ask your AUTOMATIC dealer, or send coupon for Model VST literature.

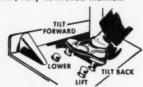
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HERE'S HOW ASD* PUTS THE MODEL RST AT THE TOP OF ITS CLASS



One pedal works both brake and accelerator — Driving this truck is a snap with its simplified controls. Operator pushes down on foot pedal to increase speed, lets pedal up to coast or apply brake. One easy motion of operator's foot accelerates or slows truck in a smooth, fully controlled manner.



Foot-controlled lift and tilt

This ASD* feature keeps operator's hands free for steering truck, makes possible faster handling because operator can easily perform two functions at once. Lift and tilt cylinders are controlled by throttletype valves which give smooth movement of forks and mast.



Easy battery removal — Battery is completely exposed for checking or replacement. Seat hinges back to give full access to battery for either side or overhead removal.



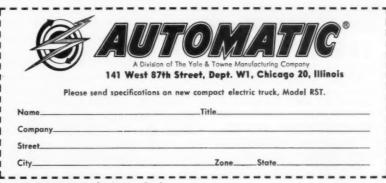
Easy maintenance — Two special hinged covers at the rear of the truck open to expose drive motor and electric controls for servicing. Drive motor and many major component parts are interchangeable with other AUTOMATIC trucks, increasing parts availability and simplifying servicing.



NEW COMPACT ELECTRIC RIDER SPEEDS HANDLING IN TIGHT SPOTS

Here's a new counterbalanced truck with *Advanced Simplified Design that speeds handling of goods in narrow aisles, trailer trucks, and on crowded docks. The model RST is ideally suited for warehouse operations, light industry, and retail supermarket handling. Compact design, short turning radius, and good weight distribution make an outstanding unit for working inside trailer trucks or in buildings where space is a premium. Has extra fast travel and lift speeds for greater efficiency. Three capacities: 2,000, 2,500 and 3,000 lbs. Even the price is compact! Get the details—call your nearby AUTOMATIC dealer or mail coupon for literature.

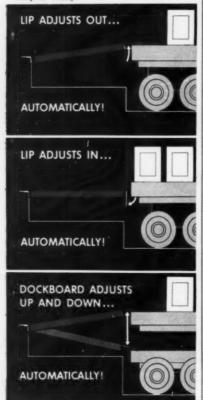
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COST CUTTING IDEAS

Tubular Conveyer Carries Away Chips

An auto manufacturer was accumulating large quantities of aluminum chips in dump hoppers. A large drag conveyor passed right through the department, but the conveyor was 19 feet high. The difficulty was getting the chips up and over to the drag conveyor.

The answer: the company bought a tubular conveyor; also provided a convenient floor level hopper to receive chips. The conveyor is routed to dodge obstacles by a strategic combination of 90-degree bends and straight runs. The chain length is 96 feet, casing size is 6½ in. square. It runs continuously.—Prab Conveyors, Inc.

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Cord Strapping Secures World-Wide Shipments

The American Society for Testing Materials, Philadelphia, uses a new rayon cord strapping for



shipments of books, catalogs, etc. sent throughout the world. They pack the books in corrugated cartons of various sizes.

The ASTM experimented with the rayon cord and other strapping materials in test shipments, liked the ease of handling, economy, and the good job, now uses the rayon cord on all its book shipments.—American Viscose Corp.

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COST CUTTING IDEAS

Nesting-Stacking Trays Solve Handling Problem

To speed assembly and cut out the manual handling of trays, the Small Air Circuit Breaker Division of I-T-E Circuit Breaker Co., Philadelphia, installed a conveyor. It carries moldings through the assembly.

As production increased, ma-



terial handling grew more complicated. It became difficult to keep an even supply of parts on the line. The containers just couldn't meet the increased production. They were of all kinds, metal trays, wooden boxes, etc. And they couldn't be stacked.

SACB went to a vulcanized fibre material handling container, equipped with stacking rods. Over 1000 are now in use in the plant. The company modified plant equipment a bit to increase their usefulness. The trays are a standard size, so you can accurately estimate contents. The company says they've cut maintenance and replacement costs for trays, and are keeping down part damage.—National Vulcanized Fibre Co.

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Steel Boxes Protect Delicate Assemblies

Rowe Manufacturing Co., Inc., a division of Automatic Canteen Corp. of America, uses over 5,000 corrugated steel boxes and skids



in its material handling program. Rowe not only assembles machines, it also makes nearly all the parts that go into them.

Rowe assembles coin mechanisms, they are delicate. Rough handling spoils the calibration. Ordinarily, custom racks would be necessary, but Charles S. Bindig, staff industrial engineer, designed an insert that holds 16 assemblies. They load the insert, set it into a steel box. A platform truck then takes the steel box away.

Rowe's boxes are all 32 x 42 inches, come in two depths: 18 and 32 inches. All skids are 32 x 42 inches. The company uses the boxes for storage, stacks them five-high, back-to-back to form double rows.—Berger Division, Republic Steel Corp.

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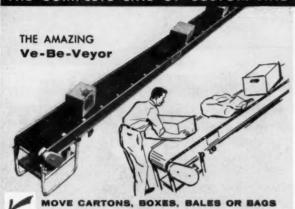
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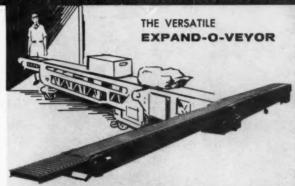


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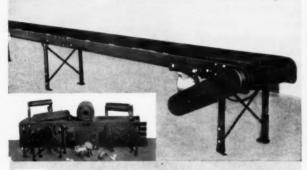
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Radio Gives Split Second Dispatch

A \$25,000 radio installation gives Ringsby Denver terminal instant communications with 23 pickups and delivery trucks.

Engineer Richard L. Rickenbacker says the radio is paying for itself in time savings and new



business. Pickup drivers used to phone the office for orders. "Not only did this waste time, but also the drivers often had to backtrack,' says Rickenbacker. "Now we have instant voice communication with our drivers,"-Motorola, Inc.

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COST CUTTING IDEAS

Fuel Savings Result From Smaller Diesels

Smaller diesel engines now on the market are opening up new possibilities for lowering operating costs and better performance for equipment in the lumber industry.

J.T. Wages of the Wages Lumber and Kiln Drying Co., Decatur, Ga. reports fuel savings up to \$5 a day after repowering their fork lift with a small diesel engine.—

Detroit Diesel Engine Div., General Motors Corp.

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Fork Truck Handles Heavy Equipment

A fork truck proved to be the most economical way to move heavy oil field equipment to outside storage at the Beaumont (Texas) Plant of Alco Products, Inc.

Some of the equipment weighs as much as 20 tons. They decided on a heavy-duty fork truck "be-



cause it cost about \$35,000 less than the next best method."

The plant assembles diesel-electric power plants for oil field drilling rigs, makes valves and heat exchangers used in pipelines and refineries.

Typical load: a diesel-electric generating set weighing 36,000 lb. They attach the set to a lifting frame which is easily picked up by the 40,000-lb. capacity truck. Hooks on the frame enable cranes to lift them if there are no fork trucks.—Clark Equipment Co.

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MATERIAL HANDLING ENGINEERING

EXIDE POWER PACKAGE

Exide Industrial Marketing Division, The Electric Storage Battery Company, Philadelphia 20, Pa. (ESB)

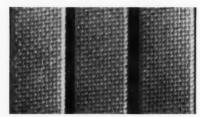




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Here's the new high in battery capacity for electric industrial trucks—the Exide-Ironclad TSC Battery. It is available right now and it will fit in the battery compartments of your present trucks without modification. It conforms to the design thinking for future trucks as expressed by truck manufacturers.

This battery offers a capacity of 85 amp-hr per positive plate-increased from the previous highest available capacity of 80 amp-hr in the Exide-Ironclad TGS—and still with over-all height of 22% in. The



Side view of tubing magnified twice size shows the fine mesh with thousands of pores for easy flow of electrolyte. Holds active material firmly against loss.

length and width dimensions of the battery are also unchanged. Therefore the new battery occupies the same space as present batteries.

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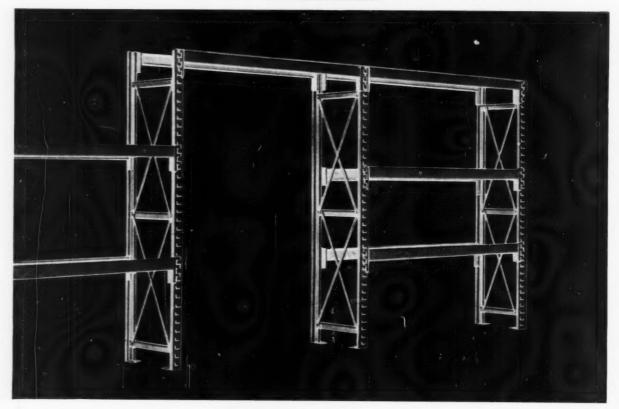
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PALMER-SHILE UNVEILS the standard series





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Here's the biggest news in the materials handling industry in years. Production of the Standard Series 75 storage rack now makes it possible for you to order the finest rack system available ... from stock. The new Palmer-Shile Standard Series 75 storage rack fulfills more requirements in a more superior manner than any rack in Palmer-Shile history. There's a range of 16 potential rack sizes to choose from—including a one-shelf-high rack.

The Standard Series 75 has the familiar Palmer-Shile characteristics which have made the custom Series 75 the talk of the industry: uniqueness, adjustability, versatility and strength. There's no metal removal in the construction of uprights. All uprights are sway-braced at the factory. Locks are cold formed from the material itself. Each rack adjusts on three-inch centers from top to bottom.

The Standard Series 75 can be erected in a matter of minutes—there are no third-piece connectors. Cross members lock immediately and positively to the uprights in a two-piece system. All units are finished in Palmer-Shile Safety White, an innovation that increases rack visibility and considerably improves the appearance of storage areas. Each shelf carries a conservatively rated 4,000-pound capacity. Before you consider the purchase of any rack you own it to yourself to check into the facts: to see how much better, quicker and more economically the Standard Series 75 can serve your storage needs.



Costs and sizes for the Standard Series 75 are as follows: UPRIGHT FRAMES/96" x 30" (14.25)/96" x 36" (14.50)/120" x 30" (15.50)/120" x 36" (15.75)/120" x 36" (16.90)/90" (12.60)/10.8" (16.25)/120" (19.55). All shelf beam prices and specifications are per pair.



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COST CUTTING IDEAS

Handling Time Cut One-Third

Morrison Cafeterias Warehouse, Tampa, reduced handling time by one-third and at the same time increased usable storage space by half. Method: they converted from manual to mechanized handling and stacking.

Daily, the warehouse receives, stores, and ships about 200 tons



of food for its 51 restaurants. Inventory is palletized and handled by two electric fork lift trucks of

4,000-lb. capacity.

They stack pallets of unit loads (such as 12 crates of produce totaling 1,200 lb. in picture) two and three high with lift trucks equipped with triple stage uprights. This, says the company, enables them to store 50 percent more inventory in its 50,000 sq. ft. warehouse. The trucks handle regular and refrigerated goods, also work in a frozen food locker at temperatures as low as -10 degrees F.—Clark Equipment Co.

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Grapple Handles 150 Tons of Refuse Daily

Operating from a 6,000-lb.-capacity monorail hoist, a 1½ cu. yd. lever arm tine-type grapple speeds refuse handling at the Rye, N.Y. incinerator plant. The TI-150 is reeved with four parts of line. This makes for speedy work and digging ability. The grapple has a 27-inch style-A straddle-type equalizer to prevent bucket twist.

The grapple on the hoist eleminates manually picking up refuse.—

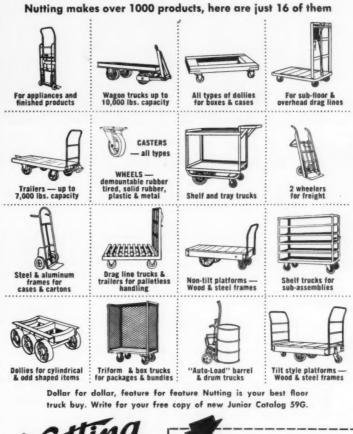
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COST CUTTING IDEAS

Bottling Plant Triples Carton Sealer Output

Output tripled for the cartonsealer compressers at the Pabst Brewing Co. Bottling Plant, Peoria, when they installed electric clutchpulley drives on conveyor motor



shafts. Each conversion took less than an hour. The clutch-pulley slips right into place without machining.

Pabst launched a plant-wide conveyor automation program. Ten cartons a minute was the limit of each compresser. Now, it's 30 cartons a minute.

The compressers are horizontal conveyors on to which roll newly glued cartons. Overhead rollers hold the carton flaps in place while the glue sets. The conveyors run on-off, not continuously, to keep each carton under pressure as long as possible. Formerly, a conveyor drive motor had to start and stop each time a carton was fed. Now each compression conveyor drive motor runs continuously with no danger of overheating. —Warner Electric Brake & Clutch Co.

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Scrap Handling Costs Saved

They replaced oil drums used as scrap containers with self-dumping hoppers at the Hopewell (N.J.) Division of Rockwell Mfg. Co. The result: they halved their scrap metal handling costs, improved safety.

The company makes service cocks, liquid meters, meter registers, must segregate steel and brass scrap. Scrap collection used to require 6 to 8 drums for steel scrap,

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New Concept in Storage Rack Design?

Custom components tailored to users needs

No two storage rack user's requirements are exactly the same. Yet, most users have to buy what is available—whether it exactly meets their needs or not. In many cases, users pay too much for the racks they buy just because they have no choice.

Why is this? Here's why. Every rack manufacturer offers a rack or storage system he considers to be the best compromise of all the factors involved in the design and manufacture of rack components. Mass production requires a high degree of standardization. In standardizing on one or two sections for load carrying stringers (beams), end frames and uprights, the rack manufacturer offers little choice to the user.

What does this mean to you? It could mean two things:

- 1. You pay for more rack (strength) than you actually need, or
- You may have to accept a beefed-up version of a lighter rack.
 In either case, you are not getting exactly what you need.

FAS-LOK CUSTOM COMPONENTS GIVE YOU THE CHOICE

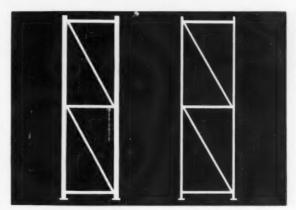
FAS-LOK Racks offer you something that has never been available to you before in a "stock" rack: A single rack or an entire storage system exactly matched to your requirements.



FAS-LOK load carrying stringers are structural steel channels. Available in 5 sizes as shown.

Here's how: FAS-LOK Racks may be made up using any one of 5 steel channel stringer sections, end frames and uprights to give you the strength required for your loads. In this way, you can buy racks with the capacity (and overload margin) you need—no more and no less. This is reflected in the price you pay for the FAS-LOK Rack you get. In short—FAS-LOK Racks are custom engineered at very competitive stock rack prices.

Here's another advantage: Assume that you have minimum floor area for a rack that must carry heavy loads. By selecting the larger stringer section, a minimum number of end frames would be required, which would allow you to store more in a smaller area.



End Frame uprights are structural steel channels. Frame at left, with 4" channels has capacity of 32,000 lbs.; 2" channel frame at right has 12,000 lb, capacity. Safety factor: 3 to 1.

TWO-PIECE DESIGN FOR FAST ERECTION

FAS-LOK Racks are assembled from two basic parts –End Frames and Horizontal Stringers. Hookplates at each end of horizontal members have tapered ears

which fit slots of the upright (inset). Assembly is simple: Ears are set into the wedge-shaped slots (punched in 3" centers) and a tap on horizontal stringer drives ears down, seating them securely in a wedging action to produce a rock-solid rack.



Horizontal Stringers are available in lengths up to 20 ft; End Frames in depths from 2'0" to 5'0", and heights from 5' to 22'6" in 2'6" increments.



No bolts, no tools. Notched end plate locks with holes in upright.

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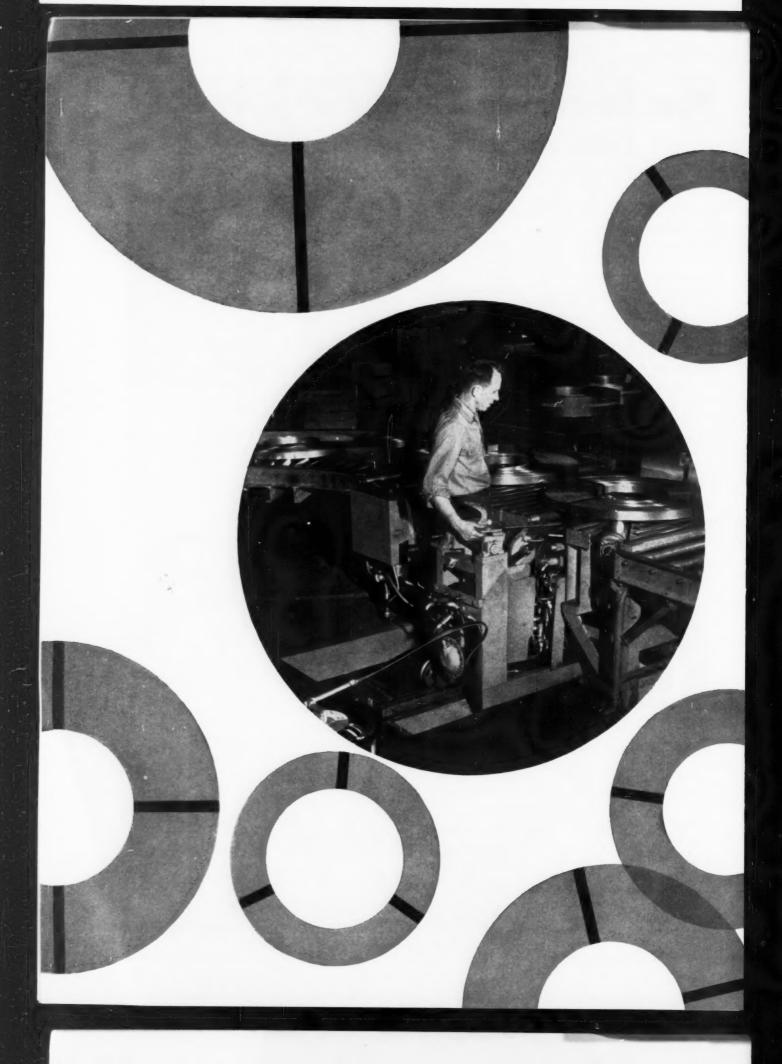


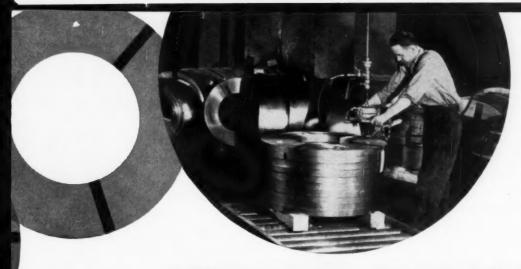
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ACME STEEL EQUIPMENT STRAPS CIRCLES AROUND ANY OTHER METHOD

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COST CUTTING IDEAS

and 50 drums for brass. Four men manually emptied the drums into a semitrailer in the yard.

Now, two men do the job with the self-dumping hoppers of % cu. yd. capacity. Each hopper holds 3 to 4 drum loads. Dumping is safer and faster with the hoppers.



The operator only has to trip a release and the hopper automatically dumps its load, rocks back, and locks upright.—Roura Iron Works, Inc.

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Tongs Move 240,000 Tons of Slabs Monthly

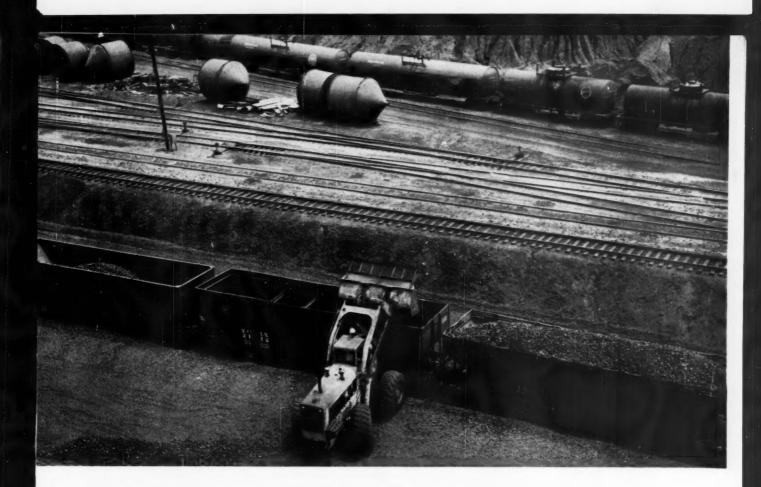
They lift hot or cold steel slabs in up to 120,000-lb. loads quickly and safely with motorized tongs at the Weirton Steel Co. Plant at Weirton, W. Va. Weirton Steel is a division of National Steel Corp.



The spreader tongs will lift from one to seven slabs, in a pile up to 50 inches deep, 20 to 49 inches wide.

Weirton says that the tongs have it all over the old method of wrapping chains around the slabs. The tongs save time, pile slabs higher, and make better use of storage space.—Materials Handling Div., Heppenstall Co.

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Huge Tractor Shovel serves U.S. Steel

The huge 6-yard Michigan Tractor Shovel you see above has replaced two 1½ yd diesel locomotive cranes formerly used to load both coke and coal at U. S. Steel's Fairfield, Alabama, Coke & Chemical Works (Tennessee Coal & Iron Division). In addition, the powerful 335 hp unit has freed a part-time switcher engine . . . and has eliminated a twice-a-week need to move railroad tracks closer to coke stockpiles so cranes could operate.

Hauls coke 350 ft

With its rubber-tired mobility, the Model 375A Michigan economically transports coke as far as 350 ft one-way. Dumps are usually made into a rail-mounted rescreening hopper which, in turn, processes the coke for shipping... though, when coke fines do not have to be screened, the Michigan loads directly from pile to gondolas (shown above). The Tractor Shovel's long reach and high (10'3") dump clearance easily fills even the far sides of the big gondolas to heaped capacity.

Company officials report the Michigan has considerably speeded up coke handling operations because now railroad tracks can be left in place and railroad cars loaded out of two coke stockpiles.

As soon as the Michigan completes loading of gondolas at one location, it simply drives over to the other stockpile (600 feet away) and continues loading there. Operating back and forth between the two, the 6-yard Michigan loads an average of 3,000 tons of coke every 16-hour day. It has loaded up to 54 cars (50 tons each) in one 8-hr shift, a total of 2,700 tons.

Uses 12-yd bucket to load coal (yes, 12 yds!)

Besides coke, the rubber-tired Michigan is called on to load coal into gondolas, and occasionally to charge furnace hoppers. For these jobs, the 335 hp unit with its optional 12 yard bucket moves 8½ tons of coal at a time... seven passes fill a 60 ton gondola car.

Big production frees Michigan for other assignments

Because of its mobility and power, company officials report the Michigan not only handles all normal coke and coal loading operations at the plant... but also finds time to perform other assignments that formerly required additional machines. For example, the rubbertired unit regularly:

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Grades and maintains plant roads.

Excavates and truck-loads bank-run clay material to clear and level for new stockpile areas.

Loads 20 ton trucks with accumulated rubbish (dirt, broken bricks, etc)...a one-day-a-week job at a central dump.

After two years and over 3,500 hours of operation, company officials report they are pleased with the 62,000 lb Michigan's performance. Original tires are still in excellent condition . . . were recapped once after 2500 hours of use . . . are expected to last "at least another 2500 hours."

If you have a material handling problem, it may pay you to investigate the complete line of Michigan Tractor Shovels. Your Michigan distributor will be happy to demonstrate any of nine models available—standard bucket sizes 16 cu ft to 6 cu yds (optional buckets to 12 cu yds)—write or call us collect for complete details.

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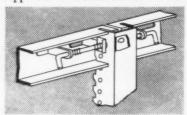


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PRODUCT NEWS

Strong Storage Racks

Hi Line Instant Rack and Automatic Instant Rack feature a springloaded locking pin. The locking pin on Automatic Instant Rack is preloaded at the factory. You just release a latch when assembling the rack. Features of both types of rack include: 1 inch vertical adjustability; support of load beam on neutral axis



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Hydraulic Drive Lift Truck

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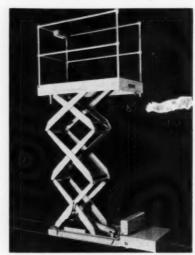


ation. Motive power comes from a motor-driven variable displacement pump combined with a constant displacement pump, gearbox, and hydraulic motor in each wheel. This arrangement gives positive power at all speeds, from creep to 12 m.p.h. Manufacturer says that the hydraulic drive eliminates motor surging, saves the battery. Another claim for the new model is that it offers fewer component parts and less maintenance. The Hydre-Lec series offers models up to 6000 lb. Illustration shows a 4000-lb, capacity unit.

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MATERIAL HANDLING ENGINEERING

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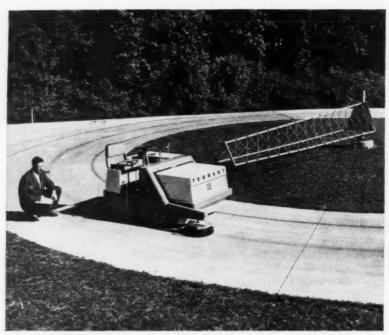
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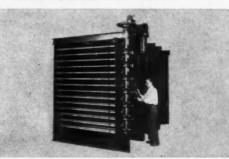
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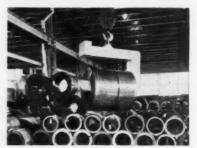


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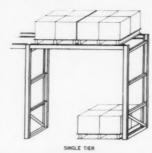
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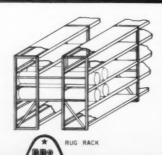
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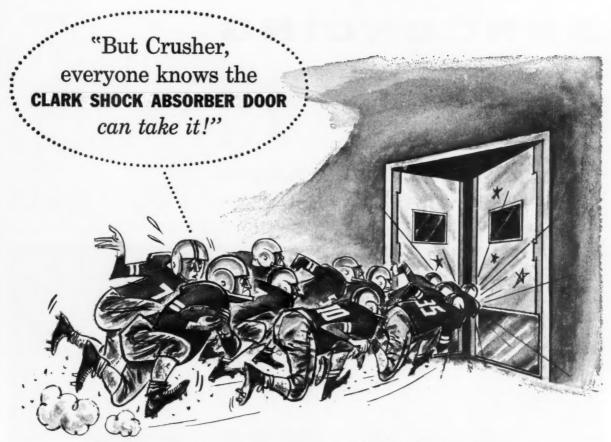
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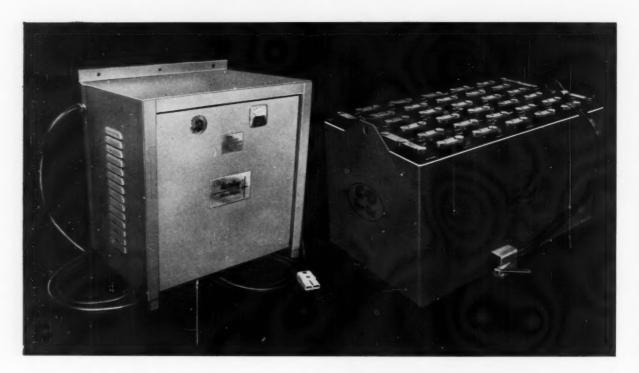
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MHE GUIDE TO WAREHOUSING

How many warehouses and where?

New trends produce new answers

By E. W. WILLARD, Manager, Plant Location Surveys, The Austin Company

A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO a southern candy manufacturer found its facilities had become hopelessly overcrowded. The company was in a hotly competitive market where ability to deliver goods quickly and on time was an absolute necessity. They thought a new manufacturing plant was the only answer to the space problem.

Thorough study of the situation disclosed, however, that manufacturing facilities were more than satisfactory. The real need was a new distribution system centered on a new warehouse. Since no space was available adjacent to the existing plant in the downtown area, they built a new warehouse on the outskirts of the city. Though this arrangement was not quite as efficient as an adjacent warehouse would have been, the company was immediately able to improve deliveries and keep up with competition. Temporarily at least they had enough room for manufacturing, and basic operating costs declined.

This example points up a universal problem in man-

ufacturing today. Management is under continual pressure to reduce distribution costs because these costs rise inexorably. In particular ever-rising labor rates increase distribution costs. Often the problem is complicated by need for faster service, which in turn affects costs. Slow handling is inherently wasteful, since it ties up capital, facilities, and men. Moreover, poor service may result in fewer orders, and hence in inefficient use of expensive organizations geared to a high-volume operation.

Experience has proved that when you want to reduce distribution costs you get the best results with a three-pronged approach. A new warehouse, for example, will function most efficiently if original planning coordinates (1) paper work, (2) the physical details of material handling, and (3) the design of the building. This coordination prevents such typical headaches as trying to fit one particular material handling system into a building really made for another kind of material handling system. Very often too, economies can be effected during the construction of the building

without sacrificing operating efficiency.

Effective location and operation of warehouses is an area of material handling which offers many possibilities for reducing distribution costs. In particular, potential savings occur in connection with distribution warehouses of manufacturers, since these usually present the biggest problems, and commensurately offer the greatest opportunities for saving time and money. The basic questions then are: How many warehouses should a manufacturer have? How big should they be?

Where should they be located?

Since every company's problems and objectives are different, each case must be solved separately. Generalizations are difficult due to the infinitely variable factors encountered. For example, a given company will not be aided by knowing that the number of all distribution warehouses is increasing or decreasing — if indeed a tendency either way can be discerned. At the planning stage, however, it is important to recognize and evaluate current trends in respect to warehouse location, as shown by the experiences of specific companies.

Customers a factor. A typical example is an ethical drug concern, which must have products immediately available at all times for customers in all big cities. This company has found it necessary to maintain warehouses close to all major population centers.

Another drug producer faces somewhat the same problem with a slightly different twist. Hospitals are their principal customers for certain highly competitive products. Hospitals have neither space nor inclination to keep large stocks, but naturally they require fast service. To supply such service on a competitive level this company also maintains warehouses in large population centers, and finds that the trend is toward even more such depots.

Metropolitan warehouses exemplify the fact that service frequently overrides other factors in the distribution process. Service is often more important than the actual costs of operating warehouses. If you have to give fast delivery to hold customers, other considerations become secondary — or ultimately there will

be no customers.

Influence of transport facilities. The grocery business also depends on metropolitan warehouses. Supermarkets and large chain organizations are tending to supply local outlets themselves, instead of working through wholesalers as formerly, but the warehouse function remains essentially the same. In such cases incoming rail facilities become unusually important as factors in locating warehouses.

For regional or national distribution, service and transportation are generally the two most important considerations and will determine the most favorable warehouse locations, warehouse operating costs being secondary. However, two recent cases illustrate how specific problems may reverse such an axiom:

One is the experience of a company with national distribution. They considered moving a warehouse from one west coast city to another, because freight charges from the existing warehouse to distributors were relatively high. They knew warehouse operating costs would be higher in the second city, but were confident that savings in freight, gained by being closer to the center of distribution, would outbalance higher operating costs.

Upon investigation it was found, however, that the warehouse operating costs in the second city were so much higher that they more than wiped out the freight

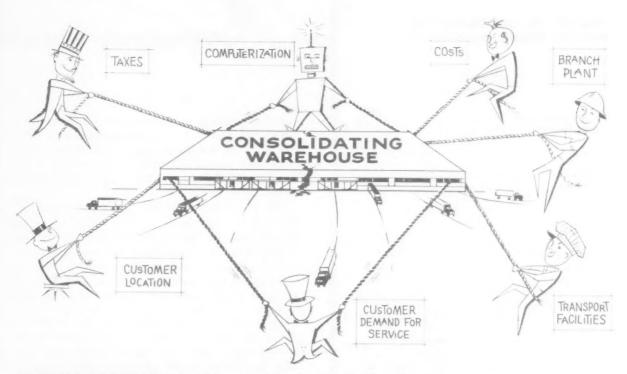
saving.

A similar situation which took a different turn was the recent case of a company which had to choose between locating a warehouse in a large northern city, or in a small southern city. Half the distribution was to be handled by truck, 35 percent by express, 14 percent by parcel post, and 1 percent by air. Transportation was unquestionably better from the northern city, although costs were not significantly different. The southern town was finally chosen — the lower costs of operating there more than outweighed the transportation advantages in the north.

Freight-rate factors. In-transit freight rates are an increasingly important consideration in locating warehouses. Historically this type of rate has been of basic importance to such industries as milling and steel fabricating. But these rates can also be used advantageously in warehousing and distributing.

An example is a manufacturer who produces a large variety of bulky machinery in many scattered plants. Few of his dealers can handle a carload of one type of equipment, but they could take carloads of assorted equipment. The solution is to ship carloads of equipment to strategically located warehouses at which carloads of mixed equipment are assembled and dispatched to the dealers. Although in some cases the goods travel more miles, the application of in-transit rates makes this an economical procedure.

Advantages from size. A number of advantages have been realized by Bobbie Brooks, Inc., a garment manufacturer, at their new distribution center in Cleveland. This huge building represents both a consolidation of several smaller warehouses, and expansion to keep up with rapid growth. The distribution center receives Bobbie Brooks garments from manufacturing plants situated in smaller cities to the south of Cleveland. Filling orders from the distribution



MANY CONFLICTING FORCES and trends influence the number, size and location of warehouses.

center is more profitable than to supply customers directly from the manufacturing plants. At the same time the company realizes the important competitive advantage of manufacturing costs lower than they would be in any large city. Costs are also held down by bringing the garments to Cleveland in the company's own trucks.

Because the warehouse is large and centralized it can use computers to attain certain efficiencies that would not be feasible otherwise. Computers tell in advance which orders can be filled. Picking is not started until the order can be completed. This one-time-only handling greatly reduces costs, and also cuts processing time, so the one distribution center can ship many more garments.

Branch plant warehouses. When a company's manufactured products are heavy or bulky it is frequently advantageous to put warehousing facilities in branch plants. Among the companies following such a policy is the Standard Register Company, whose products are so heavy that frequent handling would be prohibitively expensive. It is cheaper to provide warehouse space in a branch plant and to ship directly to customers, instead of setting up separate warehouses away from the factories.

Taxes, special costs. Special costs, such as inventory taxes, can sometimes be surprisingly important when a warehouse location is being chosen. In many instances warehouses are located over the line in another state from the area being served, simply to escape high inventory taxes in the service area.

Frinciples and trends. In the light of these instances and numerous others, it is possible to discern a few broat trends that are apparent in warehouse location pelicy:

- 1. Counter to the continuing trend for manufacturing plants to seek favorable locations in mediumsize communities, new warehouses are predominantly located in metropolitan areas, because this usually minimizes the cost of the final, small lot distribution.
- 2. Both transportation costs and the ability to render better service are more important, in determining warehouse location, than the costs of operating the warehouse.
- There is an increasing use of warehouses for consolidating shipments, both to improve service and to reduce costs.
- 4. The use of computers in warehouses is increasing. Computers tend to encourage bigger warehouses.
- 5. In some industries branch plants are taking over the functions of warehouses. Since more and more such plants are being decentralized in smaller communities, this trend runs counter to warehouse location in metropolitan areas.
- Special taxes, such as inventory or "right-todo-business" taxes, are often compelling reasons for choosing one location over another.

Despite these marked trends, there are always exceptions, and each warehousing and distribution problem has its individual peculiarities. Experience, careful planning, and the help of competent specialists are still the best bases for reaching wise decisions.

Ways of classifying warehouse systems

BY

CLASSES OR DESCRIPTION

USE OF MANPOWER & MACHINES

Machanical Semi-Automatic Automatic

METHOD

STORAGE LOCATION Bin-products of given kind always stored in same place and together

> Slot-product stored in place most convenient at time of receipt

TYPE OF IN-WARE-HOUSE TRANSPORT

Vehicular-product moved on wheeled vehicles, such as handpropelled floor trucks, powered industrial trucks, tractor-trailer trains, self-propelled cranes, etc.

Conveyorized-product moved on roller, wheel, or belt conveyors, overhead chain or cable conveyors, etc.

Hybrid-Towline conveyor systems; overhead bridge and monorail cranes and hoists, retrievers, stacker cranes, etc.

STORAGE PLACE ARRANGEMENT Popularity arrangement-products grouped by rate of turnover Code number or letters arrangement, items arranged according to catalog or part number Alphabetical by common name Arbitrary groupings

TYPE OF STORAGE EQUIPMENT

Stacks on floor

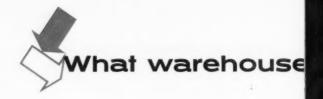
Palletized and stacked; in pallet containers, or on pallets with stacking frames, etc.

Palletized and on racks-including conventional, drive-in, and drivethrough racks

Product on racks, bins, shelving: open type, or with shelf boxes or containers

Live storage—on live racks; on free overhead conveyors; on powered overhead conveyors; in gravity chutes

Many companies have hopefully invested big money in new warehouse facilities—only to find that the new set-up won't work. How can you avoid such errors?



When you set out to choose a new warehouse system, or to update one, your first big problem is this: there's nothing definite to choose from. As the table at left shows, words we use to describe systems really label only component methods or equipment making up parts of the system.

This means that every warehouse installation has to be created individually, by combining these methods and equipment types-you have ample latitude to develop a system exactly fitting your needs, but also a lot of opportunity for expensive mistakes.

Experts in warehouse management avoid failures. In viewing their methods it becomes apparent that they use an engineering approach-they check out every factor that can influence success of the system, just as you check out every source of load and stress in designing a bridge. Their methods consistently produce outstanding results. We have asked three to explain briefly their approach, the factors they consider, in setting up warehouse systems:

START WITH DISTRIBUTION

WILLIAM M. KORDSIEMON. William M. Kordsiemon & Associates

Bill Kordsiemon's successful warehouse installations can be found from coast to coast. He and his lieutenants are essentially line operating men, and they view the warehouse system as a segment of the business operation as a whole. This interview reflects that systems approach:



DISTRIBUTION is the dynamic word to start with, rather than warehousing, in setting up a warehouse system. In our organization we look at the operation as a whole rather than write warehouse specifications. We can start only when everyone agrees to this approach. Then we think of the situation like this:

Wholesale retail stores

We determine what each activity on the wheel needs from the warehouse system. We learn all about prod-

system should you use?

uct lines and patterns of distribution. We sit down with top management to find out what objectives the business has. Then you can design, on paper, a warehouse system to fulfill all needs. The warehouse itself comes late in the planning, the handling method in it comes last! If you plan so you get maximum efficiency with manual handling, then choose handling equipment which gives event better results, you generally come out best. At this stage you estimate cost—and you aim for a payout of 1, 2, or 3 years. In a typical instance a major warehouse has paid out in 1 year, with 80 percent reduction in direct labor.

Inventory management is a basic distribution problem. Generally we plan for a steep climb in volume—I will explain why in a moment. We provide for adding capacity at an economical cost. But we build into the system factors to keep inventory down, because this reduces size and investment. We do it in one warehouse by engineering the capacity to store for 30 days demand. This includes only reserve stock—forward stock, half of reserve, is regarded as sold. The stock ticket shows 30 days quantity, and if 2 tickets a month are required, that is the signal for increasing bin and order size. Floor personnel report outs daily, check 1/5 of the stock for lows each day (so whole stock is checked every week). This method keeps out-of-stock reports to less than 2 percent.

I mentioned steep climb in volume. We regard the warehouse as a dead cost, and try to make it earn more. This means finding more uses for it. For example, we put a mail order house into selling through retail outlets. This made a steep climb in volume, and more return.

The second dominant element in modern warehousing is data processing. Faster communications, faster processing alter the whole distribution climate. Important retailers can report sales of major products to the distribution warehouse at the end of each day's business; the distribution center can consolidate these reports and forward them to manufacturers. The effect on production schedules can be immediate—that is, production of the following day can reflect sales. We are on the threshold of this development.

Fast communications go hand in hand with the third element, fast transportation. Retailers can replace goods sold overnight. This drastically reduces inventory burden. We foresee large retail outlets set up so their average turnover period is 10 days or less—they will literally get their money for the goods before they have to pay, and thus can function without capital in inventory. We foresee distribution like this: retailers in one city—say Kansas City—will report their sales to a distribution point in Chicago by 9:30 P.M. The data processing machinery will produce orders sequenced according to a delivery route in Kansas City. The goods will then be packed into containers, trucked to the airport, lifted as containers into a plane, flown

to Kansas City, and delivered by truck, in the same containers before opening the next day.

Of course you have to take into account the nature of the business. You have to look at the product, at personalities involved. The people in different companies require different paces; plans must recognize this. So in planning we always prepare schedules in successive plateaus—phases of progress which may take a longer or a shorter time, depending on the product, the people, and business conditions.

CONSIDER ALL FACTORS

IRVING FOOTLIK,
Irving M. Footlik & Associates

Though he works as a management consultant specializing in material handling, warehousing, and related fields, Irving Footlik has also had a distinguished career as writer and teacher. His books are standard texts; he has taught at the Illinois Institute of Technology and other schools.



There are many factors to be considered in choosing a warehouse system.

First, the *product*: For example, tires differ from case goods, call for a different system. Even case goods differ. Some stack, others crush. This influences how high we stack, and what we handle the product with. If we use big trucks, even mast weight presents a crushing problem. For long objects, like pipe, we would consider handling from overhead.

The product also determines whether we are dealing with a true warehouse, or a distribution center. It is a distribution center if the commodity is in almost constant motion, a warehouse if there is dead storage for 30 days or more.

Our second factor is *distance*, internal and external. Can we place goods close to where we want them, to shorten carrying distance?

This hinges on warehouse location, the land, the position of entrances, exits, etc. In a long, narrow building a drag chain conveyor or tractor train ties our facilities together. If the building is short and broad we can enter and leave at the same point, using a lift truck or pallet system, to make use of round trips, having payload going in both directions.

The third factor is the way goods are available.

Differences in equipment used depend on whether goods come in carloads and are of the same type, or come in smaller quantities differing widely in type. A grocery warehouse may handle 4,000 items; an auto supply warehouse 28,000; a manufacturer's shipping warehouse only 26. At this point the terminology of automatic, semi-automated, and manual comes into

play.

Fourth, we must consider the frequency of cycling—the speed at which we must move the commodity, and timing which affects how the goods must be moved. Frozen foods may require speed, seasonal goods involve timing. There is a big difference if tonnage is small and likely to be moved only once a month (like a specialized drug product), and when moves are daily and tonnage high (as with food). This brings up the subject of mislabeling of warehousing operations. We use the word warehouse indiscriminately, when we would be better off to speak of terminals, as in the trucking industry, distribution centers, as in the food industry, and then of places where merchandise merely stands between moves.

Modernday distribution involves less and less storage by the end user, and more frequent moves. As we encounter less storage we look for faster ways to move small quantities of goods. This development is funda-

mental to the selection of modern systems.

The fifth factor to observe is *obsolescence*. We must remember the constant change in trends, select equipment such that, if we are forced to obsolete it, we will not be hurt too much. Generally this means staying with standard equipment. Anyone installing a system should plan to get a payoff in 3 years or less. This way, you are in a position to keep up with developments.

size of building, dock facilities. In a new warehouse these elements can be patterned to suit. In an existing facility modifications must tie in with systems planning. Geographic area can affect requirements of dock facilities, particularly in northern climates. Analysis of traffic patterns and number and type of carriers must be made.

Size and frequency of receipts, purchasing cycle.

Floor load availabilities, ceiling heights, shape and

Size and frequency of receipts, purchasing cycle. How often is stock received? What are rail and truck unit loads? How large is an average shipment? Percent of small and large—number of cases per shipment. How can they best be moved quickly, efficiently to stock location?

First-in-first-out requirements, deterioration factors, susceptibility to damage. Does system require a strict "first-in-first-out" movement? What deterioration and damage considerations exist?

Item identification, pre-stocking preparation. Is stock marked when received with item number, size, etc.? If not, what modifications are necessary? Does stock require pre-preparation or packaging before locating? What movement patterns are desirable?

Type of merchandise. Sometimes not analyzed in sufficient detail: Weight, shape, possibility of unit-loads, hand-stack vs. palletization. Crushing factors, intricacies in smooth conveyor movement.

Unit volume, expansion requirements. Quantities, by item, of pallet loads, full cases, part lots, etc. Average order size. Percent shipped by parcel post, freight (rail or truck), express, etc. Proportion requiring repacking, packing supplies needed. Provision for expansion.

Quality of personnel available. A factor often neglected: if new system requires personnel above average in intelligence, are they available in the area? To what degree must the system suit personnel available?

Customer return problems, integration into basic system. Very significant in some operations.

Stock counting problems. How often must counts be made? Will system facilitate economical counting?

Office clerical handling. How must or can system fit present clerical handling? Consideration of type of order document. Can paper work be revised to fit warehouse handling requirements? Sometimes necessary to overhaul clerical system to suit.

Quality control. The degree to which system requires checking of items filled and packed.

Cost. Consider all other elements, then make clear, definitive, realistic analysis of costs. They must be measured in terms of equipment, installation, and operation. Unfortunately operation is a factor to which wishful thinking is too often applied—it is measured only in terms of things hoped for. For example many new systems have emphasized improved order-picking, without giving realistic consideration to increased stock bin replenishment costs.

This listing of factors is not necessarily completely comprehensive, but in our experience we find that some of those most elemental are overlooked in select-

ing warehouse systems. •

ANALYZE IN DETAIL

R. ROY HEDBERG,

Management Systems, Inc.

Many months ago an MHE editor was impressed by certain warehouses organized to achieve unusually high efficiency with simple, economical equipment. The editor later learned that these were planned by Management Systems, Inc. Here Roy Hedberg reveals the analysis of complex factors that produces the simplicity and efficiency noted:



Many factors are involved in selecting a warehouse system, and the degree to which consideration must be given each is the important question. The most successful operations are those in which this question has been answered most satisfactorily.

Customer service. Obviously the system must permit fast, effective movement of goods from stock to the carrier's truck or railcar. If many rush orders must be handled daily, as contrasted with routine handling, the system must provide for both types of handling.



ADMOS Inc.



New excitement — the automatic warehouse

By DICK DIETZ, associate editor

AUTOMATIC WAREHOUSING—the glamor girl of material handling! She's the talk of the crowd—handling engineers, packaging engineers, companies exploring systems, and manufacturers providing them.

You should know all you can about automatic warehousing. It may look like your company never will need one. But don't bet on it. Moreover, how your company handles may well be influenced by a supplier with automatic warehousing.

Biggest benefits of automatic warehousing: speedier service and big space saving. Biggest drawback: high cost. Many a company will wrestle itself raw trying to balance the benefits and drawback. You will be drawn into the controversy because you're the expert on handling and packaging. So learn all you can about the trends, the great installations, the coming attractions, and the immense potential.

The bright future. Equipment manufacturers tingle all over when considering the future of automatic warehousing. They figure you engineers will recommend, and your companies will spend, \$1 billion for 5,000 warehouses by 1970. The manufacturers base these figures on a market study which noted that industry spent \$9 million on automatic equipment in more than 50 warehouses from 1956 to 1960.

The new spending is expected to save as much as \$250 million a year in direct labor costs alone by 1970.

Not all these warehouses will be fully automatic, nor can they be until more versatile equipment appears. But with the smell of that much money in the air, don't bet that smart manufacturers won't invent systems to enlarge considerably the possibilities of automatic warehousing.

The marketing report further says sales of warehouse handling equipment (mostly conveyors) will become an important part of the material handling industry, mushrooming from less than 0.5 percent of material handling sales in 1959 to nearly 12 percent in 1970. Annual sales of material handling equipment and controls for automatic warehousing will grow from nearly \$5 million today to \$300 million in 1970.

Other fields expected to warm themselves in the glow of automatic warehousing: electric and electronic controls design (represents up to 50 percent of the costs of automatic warehousing), data processing equipment (may total \$500 million in this decade), new warehouse construction (may grow from \$200 million in 1960 to \$700 million in 1970, a significant part of industrial construction).

Get the terms straight. An ideal automatic warehouse is one in which you put the order (on a punch card, tape, or some such) in a reader and automatically the filled orders arrive at the dock. Add automatic replenishment and you have an operatorless warehouse.

The warehouses we discuss later come only part way along the path to this ideal. But they're considerably more than automatic sorting systems or highly mechanized storage systems.

What's behind the optimism. Here's Arthur Spinanger, associate director, Industrial Engineering Division, Proctor & Gamble Co. His firm is vitally interested in automatic warehousing but finds present justification difficult in many cases.

"Automatic warehousing is here and will grow," he says. "There are many reasons. Increasing complexity and volumes, need for greater picking speeds, mental and physical efforts of workers, need for more storage in less space, better management control."

Manufacturers of warehousing equipment are equal-

• Norman Sullivan, sales manager, Custom Engineered Division, The Alvey-Ferguson Co.: "Automatic warehousing has not yet fully blossomed, but it will in the next 10 years as more and better techniques and controls become available. More firms are using auto-

card Reader at Colgate-Palmolive's automatic warehouse in Kansas City transmits orders to control panel, starts cartons flowing. Live rail telescoping sections (right) extend six branchline conveyors inside trucks for quick, efficient loading.





Mathews Conveyer Co

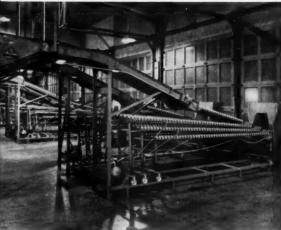
CONSOLIDATION conveyors at Jerseymaid's Los Angeles warehouse bring together products from automatic and manual pick lines. This warehouse handles frozen foods. Temperatures range from 0° to -10°F.

TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT

Arthur Spinanger: Some firms have a material handling staff proficient enough to design their own. There also are consultants and there are equipment suppliers with good engineering staffs.

L. J. Johnson: Go to the conveyor manufacturer, I feel no consultant has had enough experience with actual installations. Ethical manufacturers will consider the installation from all angles, will keep the investment as low as possible. They will not be influenced by previous jobs nor their line of equipment.

Norman Sullivan: An automatic warehouse is primarily a conveyor job. Often as much as 80 percent of your total cost will be in conveyor equipment. And, in the final analysis, it is the conveyor company's responsibility to



The Alvey-Ferguson Co.



MECHANICAL carriers, called Retrievers, both pick orders and fill storage slots at the Reliance Electric & Engineering Co. Retrievers work from pushbutton controls.

The Triax Co.

AUTOMATIC WAREHOUSING

make an automatic warehouse work. Moreover, conveyor companies have their own facilities to build and service the equipment, and engineering specialists with knowledge and experience unavailable elsewhere. That's why the conveyor firm should be the prime contractor and should be charged with the responsibility for performance.

H. C. Blake: Lowest costs and greatest returns will come from firms equipped to perform all the functions of requirement analysis, design, as well as to engineer, manufacture, test, install, and guarantee specified results. The few consultants who have real manufacturing know-how and are willing to learn new tricks will reap a rich harvest in automatic warehousing only if they are able to design and accept operational responsibility for the system.

matic accounting equipment which works in nicely to control physical distribution."

• L. J. (Ben) Johnson, sales manager, Mathews Conveyer Co.: "There's a universal interest in automatic warehousing. Here's one of the really important areas where you can effect measurable savings."

• H. C. (Bud) Blake, executive vice president, ADMOS Inc.: "The perfect warehouse requires maximum cube utilization in addition to perfect coordination and balance between all operational facets—order and data processing, replenishment, order selection, packing, loading, and transportation. These are obtainable only through automatic warehousing. Distribution adds neither profit nor quality, only costs. This, because of our competitive way of life, will make necessary the only other ingredient required—economic justification."

If they're so good ... why hasn't everyone got one? Penn Fruit Co., Philadelphia, is a good example. Its warehouse is highly mechanized but cannot be considered automatic. Penn Fruit's Joel Jaffe tells us:

"We have been following the trends very closely. There are a few major problems to be resolved before we can seriously say that an automatic warehouse is a panacea." Among the difficulties, he lists installation costs vs. labor savings; replenishment problems; changes in product container size vs. equipment flexibility; constant adding of new items sold by supermarkets; downtime; dependability; surge areas, and the equalization of delivery loading time.

Proctor & Gamble's Spinanger puts it another way: "We need the results of automatic warehousing. But the equipment currently is too expensive. For example, one equipment company recommended that we put in some automatic warehouse components costing \$800,000 and requiring 10 additional workers. How could we justify a system like that without savings?"

Proctor & Gamble, no ostrich, watches developments. It considers automatic warehousing one link in a long chain. Spinanger says they're working on all links at once.

However, Spinanger appeals to the equipment supplier to look at users' costs, then design to meet them. That would lead to more installations, he concludes.

How long to pay out! Alvey-Ferguson's Sullivan warns not to put undue emphasis on payout periods. Often, when an installation does not conform to a set formula, the company won't buy. Perhaps sound, concedes Sullivan, but he adds quickly that automatic warehouses may have advantages overlooked by formula buying. Maybe they offer a marketing advantage well worth the added cost of paying off in six years instead of three, to cite a hypothetical case. "It's interesting," says Sullivan, "that progressive companies which don't always adhere to rigid economic justification frequently remain ahead of the pack."

Sullivan says there's no standard way to make an automatic warehouse. He tells of two jobs his firm did for the same company with the same products. The second differs from the first.

The sensitive part of planning automatic warehouses is balancing, says Sullivan. You change something and it affects something there. You must allow for

special operations, such as addressing, labeling, weighing, inspecting, and so on. Also, you can't pick faster than you can replenish.

More ideas. Johnson at Mathews suggests no single automatic warehouser has really determined whether

THE GREATEST— ONE MAN'S OPINION . .

Of the truly automatic warehouses, Brunswig Drug Co.'s "Gertrude" was the best and fastest. This is the opinion of a manufacturer of automatic warehouses, a competitor, if you please. Brunswig no longer uses a central warehouse. It was supplanted by district warehouses closer to outlets,

But Gertrude did everything she was asked and did it uncommonly well. She enabled Brunswig to give same day service to every drugstore served by Brunswig in a large area of California, frequently at killing transport costs.

Our informant described Gertrude like

A slide job—hardboard tread and sheet metal guards. Binary control system, star wheel escapements, controlled by solenoids. Two vertical banks of vacuum tubes for controls. 33,000 total items in the warehouse. 1,700 line items accounted for 84 percent of the selections (broken case quantities only and all fast movers).

Punchcards into a card reader. Shuffled cards, digested the information. Thunk! Items began to drop from dozens of slides at once. Conveyed to accumulation. Swept into a carton. Machine printed list of missing items, if any. Workers picked these from dead storage to complete order. Indication of speed: pick and assemble a 160-item order in 15 seconds. Big advantage: high accuracy, picking without error.

his warehouse will pay for itself. But there are some impressive savings. He also lists other assets:

- Better customer service.
- Less pilferage.
- Better product protection.
- · Speedier ordering and accounting.
- Better inventory control.

He says the best prospects are firms with a great volume of products that can be conveyed. The operation has to be big because the payoff depends on size. A rough rule: you must pick at least 10,000 items daily.

The slow-moving items. Most experts mechanize handling of fast-moving, volume items, do the remainder manually or semiautomatically. Not Blake of ADMOS. He agrees to automatic handling for the 10 percent that provides 85 percent of the volume. But he also believes in handling the other 90 percent automatically, if economically justified. Because, he says, collectively the 90 percent often represents more labor costs than the fast moving bulk-handled items. So it pays to handle them as efficiently as the fast moving items.

Blake sees two sorts of warehouses in the future:

- 1. The distribution center, a balanced system, with everything immediately available for distribution, Everything's stored mechanically, doesn't have to be rehandled. Theoretically, a personless warehouse.
- 2. The shipping point in a warehouse of a manufacturer. Economic production runs create out-of-balance stock requiring surplus storage. The warehouse stores mechanically no more than is needed at the point of selection, banks the rest in dead storage.

Blake sees space savings as a big allure in automatic warehousing. A traditional warehouse, he says, is lucky to use 18 percent of its cube with a pallet system. (figured by subtracting cube lost by pallet thickness, aisle width, space needed for special trucks, pallets with broken loads averaging only half full).

The outlook. Early automatic warehousing often suffered from lack of careful systems analysis or refusal to abandon inefficient methods. Competitive pressures will stimulate automatic warehousing. So will rising labor costs and expanding markets. The marketing report says growth will mushroom during this decade, continue at a slower, but steady, pace during the 1970s

There's no standard automatic warehouse, no two alike. Each user will judge value in terms of potential savings. He'll find some of these costs can be reduced: direct labor, inventory expense in investment and space, breakage, pilferage, order filling error, shortage, insurance, order processing.

Watch out for some of these difficulties. They're hard to change once installed. They must retire the investment early because they may be obsolete in less than 10 years. You need experienced operators to keep the machinery running. An automatic warehouse should run continually because downtime is expensive. Labor will resent automatic warehouses, may try to retard their coming. A long-range forecast sees the hiring of 2,000 skilled systems analysts, loss of 50,000 unskilled labor jobs (manual picking, replenishing, etc.) in the next 10 years.

Research continues. Automatic warehouse manufacturers and others are working to reduce warehouse handling, improve flexibility through better controls and unusual devices, and improve conveyor control to provide precise placement and identification. •

Associate Editor Dick Dietz combines inside information and predictions in "What's Next in Automatic Warehousing?" on page 70. You'll also want to see his "Honor Roll of Best Automatic Warehouses" on page 71.



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JAMES CAMPBELL S



EACH AUTOMATIC WAREHOUSE is somewhat different from its predecessors, often more sophisticated. There's reluctance to talk about new installations until they're ironclad perfect. Remember the fun poked at the installation of the U.S. Post Office in Providence?

Alvey-Ferguson devised a second Colgate-Palmolive warehouse, due to open about the first of the year. This will be larger and different (newer controls) from the widely-publicized Kansas City installation for the same company.

Admos Inc. (see "Giant Order Filler Fights High Distribution Costs" in June MATERIAL HANDLING ENGINEERING) is working on several new projects we can't mention yet.

Two other firms, The Triax Co. and Mathews Conveyer Co., have new installations MHE may talk about but not identify. The Triax innovations place this company squarely in the automatic warehousing field. The Mathews installation is one of the first to work out automatic replenishment as well as picking and accumulating. An earlier example: Chelsea Milling's warehouse which runs cases from production directly into a storage magazine from which they're picked automatically.

Card controls. The Triax Co. recently placed in an electric manufacturer's warehouse a system that runs from punchcards. Triax builds huge sets of racks close together, served by mechanical order picking carriers called Retrievers. They both pick and replenish, worked by pushbutton. Now, a device in the Retriever reads the first or last five rows on a punch card, works it automatically.

Triax further plans a system, not yet tested, which consolidates Retriever controls at a remote spot. You may work the Retrievers without going near them. Triax warehousing differs somewhat from most of the other systems. It handles heavier items on pallets,

frames, axles, in tote boxes at slower speeds than smaller packaged goods on automatic conveyors.

Automatic replenishing. Mathews worked out a new way to refill an automatic line with packaged goods. It's for a chemical manufacturer in Michigan.

Key equipment: a case depalletizer, fed unit loads by a lift truck from receiving or dead storage. Vacuum head of the depalletizer lifts off the top layer, sends it to an unscrambler which turns each case properly to go into live storage crosswise. A belt conveys the packages to a hinged belt leading to any of three tiers. From here, a tripper car carries the packages to the proper one of 20 lanes per tier. When a lane runs out of cases, a warning sounds and the commodity number that's short appears on a control panel so cases may be added automatically from storage.

Indicating lights also tell when a full palletload can be dispatched to a particular lane and also where the tripper cars are on each tier. To move the palletload from the depalletizer, the operator places punch card directions into an electric control console near the depalletizer.

Mathews calculates the average load (12 cartons per layer and 5 layers) could be handled at 3,300 cartons an hour. Here's a table of estimates, depending on cartons per layer and layers per load, based on continuous supply.

CARTONS/LAYER	LAYERS/LOAD	RATE/HOUR	
CARIONS/ LATER	EATERS/ EUAD	MAIL/1100A	
25	4	6,500	
24	4	6,300	
20	5	5,500	
15	5	4,100	
12	7	3,500	
12	5	3,300	
12	4	3,100	
8	7	2,300	
8	5	2,200	
6	8	1,800	

This generally exceeds the system discharge rate (picking), somewhere between 1,800 to 2,900 cases an hour. Here's a table of estimated picking times, based on 16 seconds to clear an average order of 15 cases through the hinged belt with 7 seconds delay between orders, all depending on continuous demand.

CASES/ORDER	CASES FROM MANUAL	CASES/HOUR
10	0	1,800
15	0	2,100
20	1	2,400
30	2	2,900

Rest of the system. It fills orders from a 60-line automatic release system and a 30-line manual pick system. The warehouse, including replenishing, needs only three workers—except for checkers, labelers, stencilers,

The order picking control worker puts an order into the control console which releases cartons from storage. He also tells a manual picker which cartons to release. Both lots of cartons accumulate on a belt conveyor for a trip to the truck dock. The operator allows 7 seconds between orders and tote boxes precede the manual portion of each order. At the dock, belt and gravity conveyors run cartons directly into trucks. •

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Cleveland	San Leandro, Calif.	Lititz, Pa.	Brunswick, N.J.	Los Angeles	Lyon, N.Y.	South San Francisco	Kansas City	Chelsea, Mich.	Los Angeles	Detroit	LOCATION
Pallet Load	Case	Case	Case Loose Goods	Case	Individual Items	Case	Case	Case	Individual Items	Case	PICKING
5,200	72	20	2,000 950	120	600	74	72	30	1,800	1,722	(LINE ITEM) PER HOUR
60	2,000	3,000	1,800	1,850	650	1,250	1,850	1,600	15,000	1,000	PER HOUR
Welded Rack	Powered Roller, Automatic	Roller Gravity	Inclined Chute—Some Wheel	Roller Gravity	Inclined Chute	Roller Gravity, Chute	Wheel Conveyor	Roller Gravity	Inclined Chute	Inclined Chute	STORAGE
Retriever	Air-Electric	Electric Motor-Driven Belt	Solenoid	Solenoid	Solenoid, Pushbutton	Solenoid, Pushbutton	Solenoid Works Air Piston	Merger Arm, Swing Conveyor	Solenoid	Solenoid	RELEASE
N _o	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	COMPUTER
No— (selection switches)		also pushbutton		Yes (card)	No	No	Yes (card)	Yes (also pushbutton)	Yes	Yes (card)	READER
Yes-1959	Yes-1958	Yes-1957	Yes-1960	Yes-1959	No—Reduced Demand	Yes-1957	Yes—1959	Yes	No	Yes-1958	IN USE?

^{*}See "The Greatest-One Man's Opinion" on P. 68.

Organizing for efficient warehouse control

CHECKING a sales forecast are M. N. Thomas (seated), manager of General Merchandise and Material Control, and D. W. Bonsall, Warehouse Division manager, The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co.



M. N. Thomas tells of a trend that places warehousing in a firm's merchandising division. Warehousing often used to be part of the factory, bedded down with production. Sometimes it was mated with sales. Thomas says warehousing must be independent of both:

- · For efficiency.
- To get proper warehouse location. Where you build a warehouse should be related to manufacturing and sales but dictated by neither.

For the last five years, industries have been more and more concerned about distribution and warehousing, particularly to reduce costs. "Cutting costs of the manufacturing company must be programmed into distribution," says Thomas. "Production already has gone much further in applying savings."

The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company was one of the early firms to set up warehousing as part of merchandising. Thomas is Goodyear's manager of

General Merchandise and Material Control. The General Merchandise Division includes warehousing, merchandise distribution, and traffic. Furthermore, Thomas' division controls raw materials, evaluates inventory and material in process. His group predicts sales, production, and inventory for about a year ahead—what they call the short-term forecast as contrasted with the long-term forecasts of market analysis.

Warehouse organization. The rubber industry is viciously competitive. Customers demand and get quick, accurate service. So dealers and company stores require quick stock replenishment—a brutal task with 2,000 line items in tires and tubes alone, besides thousands of other items. The Goodyear time-table for any item says ship today, not later than tomorrow—service in 48 hours, probably less.

Every company warehouse can't carry every item Goodyear makes or buys for redistribution. So Goodyear has two levels of warehouse based on fast and slow moving items (see diagram). Thomas says these ratios generally hold true:

Twenty-five percent of all items account for 85 percent of all sales.

Seventy-five percent of all items account for only 15 percent of all sales.

Goodyear set up 52 district warehouses to stock fast moving items, ship them right to dealers and stores. The district warehouses were sited with one eye on population and car registration and the other eye on sales offices and Goodyear manufacturing plants.

Serving clusters of district warehouses are five regional warehouses. They send slow moving items and emergency shipments right to dealers and stores, hold backup stock for district warehouses, absorb early surge of seasonal items from production.

For example, at the time MHE's editors visited Goodyear last summer, they were making snow tires. The first shipments went immediately to regional centers as collecting points. As fall came on, the factories switched snow tire shipments to district warehouses for later shipment to dealers and stores. By the time you received this magazine, Goodyear finished making snow tires. Now, distribution has only the district warehouse stocks and the regional warehouse

backup stocks to work with. This is a big reason why Thomas' forecasts must be accurate.

Three improvements. Goodyear was able to devise efficient levels of warehouse and stock because of technical changes:

- 1. Better communications—teletype, for example, between all key points.
- 2. Better warehouses—improved handling, more detailed records, faster order processing.
- 3. Better transportation. Thomas says Goodyear services outlying points that couldn't be reached economically as recently as eight years ago.

Knowing what goes on. Each warehouse district has a stock control man responsible for stock replenishment. He gives full attention to fast moving items, keeps this stock complete and available. The regional center, on the other hand, keeps track of the slow moving items. This divides responsibility suitably without sacrificing Goodyear's standards of service.

Through punchcard accounting a complete stock available record on volume items is made up daily. This goes to the Merchandise Distribution Department so headquarters can watch the flow of goods.

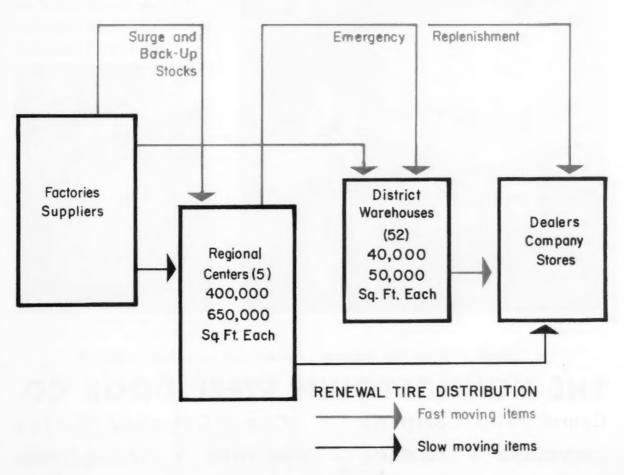
This also gives Goodyear reasonable cycle time for replenishment. The stock control man reorders regularly once a week. Thus, he looks over his inventory weekly, catches and reports fluctuations promptly. This is an aid to forecasting by headquarters.

Goodyear tries to ship quick moving items directly from production lines. Merchandise Distribution may even allocate from production before items are produced. Goodyear then can plan these shipments to send out full loads at lowest rates. On slow moving items, Teletype between district and regional warehouses let's them ship right to dealer or store.

A further control: Merchandise Distribution has a subdepartment in each manufacturing plant. Take the Topeka tire plant. The merchandising man may want to send to a customer in Omaha an item made only in Gadsden. The merchandising man orders the item shipped direct. If this is impossible (out of production), he orders it shipped from Kansas City (nearest regional warehouse) direct to Omaha or to Omaha's customer.

Warehouse handling. Warehouse Division Manager D. W. Bonsall says the great variety of products limits Goodyear warehouse handling pretty much to pallets, racks, and lift trucks. Goodyear uses pallet racks three high, four high in two new regional warehouses.

Workers at receiving sort tires by size and type, unitize loads on pallets, truck them to storage. The lift trucks handle two pallet loads at a time, each pallet holding 40 to 60 ordinary-sized tires. For shipping, workers stack tires in boxcars and trucks. Bonsall says they don't ship by pallet because palletized tires don't ride well, cause too much loss of cubage, and pallets must be returned.



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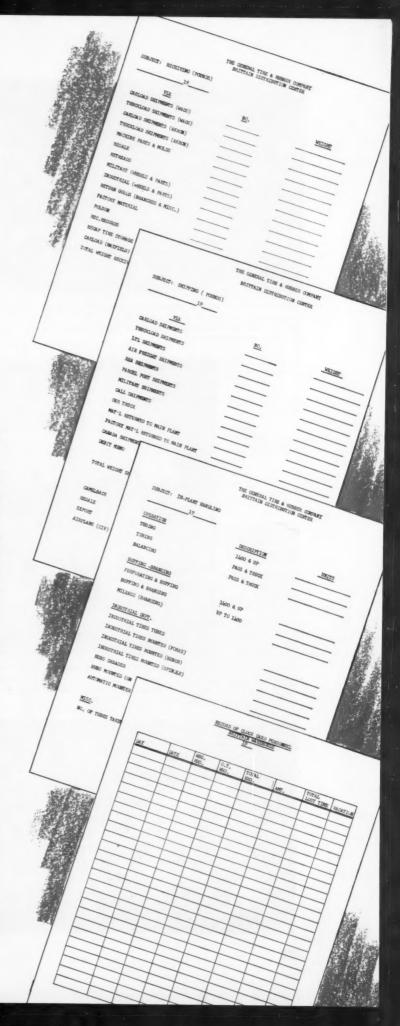
That's the way Charles Engle, warehouse manager, describes the national distribution center, The General Tire & Rubber Co., in Akron. This installation won a prize from the American Material Handling Society, Cleveland Chapter.

Engle heavily credits the attitude of the work force: get the most work done, right now, at the least cost. This attitude permeates, infects everyone, the office staff and the 100-man warehouse gang. General gives 1-day service—order today, ship tomorrow—unless it's a hot order. Then it's shipped the same day the order's received.

Engle calls fantastic the many millions of pounds shipped each month. Pounds handled per manhour increased from 1,200 in 1957 to 1,600 the first half of this year. Engle says this is an exciting increase. He warns us, however, not to compare these figures with those of other companies because of the great variety of jobs done by each warehouseman, including some production. One day this warehouseman might load tires in a boxcar; the next, mount industrial tires prior to shipment; the next, pile huge tires by fork truck. Or he might do some of each the same shift.

There's a trend, says Engle, toward more and more production in warehouses, jobs like putting tubes in tires, balancing, buffing, and branding tires, mounting industrials. These jobs are logically done after an order is placed, can be done more efficiently at the warehouse than by shipping them back to the factory.

The General organization. Engle's Akron warehouse—a half million sq. ft. under one roof—takes the entire production of the Akron manufacturing plant and some from plants in Mayfield, Ky., and Waco, Texas.



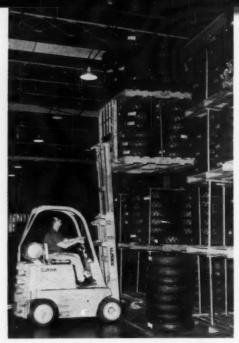


PRODUCTION of sorts is moving into the warehouse. Here, workers use a semiautomatic machine to mount industrial tires and fill them with air. Such work is done more efficiently after an order is placed, rather than try to guess the needs beforehand.



A SIDE DELIVERY attachment on this truck enabled General to cut down aisles to 6 ft. in the retread rubber section. The truck goes in straight. The attachment moves its palletload off to the side.





PALLET RACKS give General full usable height under 20-ft. ceilings. The 60 x 60-inch pallets here hold 48 30-lb. tires. One driver can handle 40,000 lb. of tires in three hours, load them on a trailer to the docks.



CORE LIFT attachment lowers into the well of a tire stack. Four prongs are forced out, gripping the tires from the bead. The core lift is rugged enough to lift six 180-lb. tires at once. Two men, using a core lift, can unload a boxcar and stack the tires — a job that used to require nine men.

DISPATCHERS drive trailer-trains from the order picking areas to the docks. Shippers load the trailers, leave them on the outskirts of their sections for the dispatchers who make up the trains. At the docks, truck drivers load their own vehicles.

Akron also receives a great deal from outside suppliers for reshipment, industrial tires, wheels, automobile accessories, and the like. Akron even carries recapping equipment, machine parts, and molds.

The main warehouse ships to 23 district warehouses, to original equipment accounts, dealers, high mileage accounts, the military, export.

The control documents. General shines at plotting its warehousing course, knowing what it receives and ships. Engle gets his facts from four daily documents. These records give him complete control over warehousing, enable him to answer questions from other divisions and from his bosses. The documents are:

- Receiving
- Shipping
- **Inplant Handling**
- Personnel Record

To operate his warehouse, Engle uses more than documents. He uses his eyes. If material sits there day after day without moving, he finds out why. "I set down inventories of slow moving items and send them to the right people for a decision," he says. "The hardest decision is to say 'scrap it.'"

Equipment controls. Engle cuts warehouse costs through a well-planned maintenance program. He won't buy equipment unless he can get parts quickly, preferably from a local dealer. Engle records the costs of all repair parts, summarizes them yearly to get parts cost per hour of operation. He uses these figures as a basis for replacement.

Engle plans on 10-year life expectancy for lift trucks. His are mostly counterbalanced, some gasoline, some LP gas, and some electric walkies. There are 20 trucks, 1,000- to 5,000-lb. capacity, also 10 tractors which pull trains of 3 x 7-ft. trailers.

How they operate. General has two groups of warehouse workers:

1. Shipping crews (2-man teams) who assemble orders on trailers, leave them on the outskirts of their sections.

2. Dispatchers who make trailer trains out of the picked orders, drive them to the dock to over-the-road truckers for loading.

The warehouse handles LTL (less than full) loads like this. The office schedules all LTL carriers at specific times, but only in the afternoon. Shipping crews pick LTL orders in the sequence the carriers will arrive. The dispatchers run the trailers with orders to the dock, check the shipments, then turn them over to the drivers.

Full truck loads are shipped in the mornings, no special carrier schedule. Shipping crews and dispatchers get a sheet with the full order on it, fill it the same as for LTL shipments. The warehouse makes bills of lading for the freight companies. The main office bills the customers.

The warehouse works two shifts of eight hours each. There's not much floating although a shipping crew occasionally must cover a good deal of the warehouse to fill an order. In the main, shipping crews remain close to home. •

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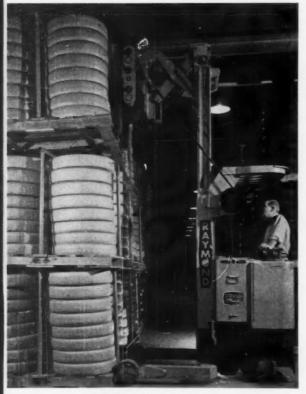
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NARROW AISLE truck with reach attachment revolutionized handling at General's Chicago district warehouse. This versatile truck also has adjustable clamp-type forks.

Versatile equipment at the district warehouse

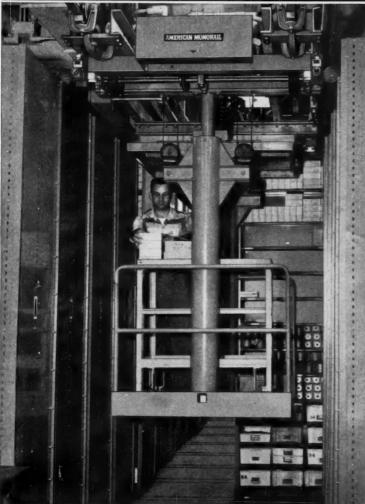
THE CHICAGO district warehouse, The General Tire & Rubber Co., is at the mercy of fluctuating inventories, must make best use of space at peak periods. Good equipment does the job—a narrow aisle electric lift truck with reach attachment and adjustable clamp-type forks, plus pallet racks. The warehouse is 1-floor, with 15-ft. ceilings.

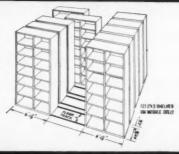
Manual handling was slow and wasteful. Workers stacked auto tires as high as they could reach, wasted cube. This frequently flattened the bottom tires, made them difficult to mount by machine. Heavy truck, bus, aircraft, and tractor tires were stored upright, more loss of cube.

Now, the lift truck easily handles two 60 x 60-inch pallets at a time, stacks them three high to the ceiling. The truck has 4,000-lb. capacity on a 24-inch load center, easily negotiates 9-ft.-wide aisles. The adjustable attachments enable the fork truck to skim tires from a stack. Heavier tires now are stored flat. The adjustable forks efficiently turn them upright for rolling.

Benefits: more tires stored, customer service improved, greater volume of goods handled without increasing the work force, simpler inventory control (through pallet rack unitizing), and better housekeeping.

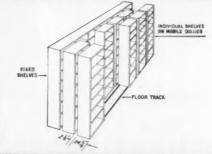
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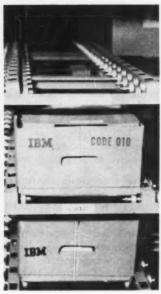
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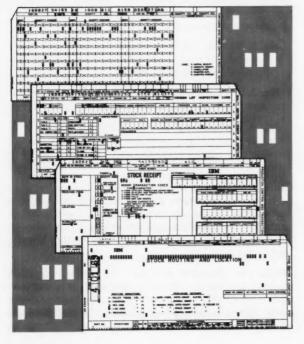


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Store quickly, accurately with conveyors, standard boxes, punch cards







Two BIG IDEAS—and a host of smaller ones—make International Business Machines' General Products Division warehouse in Rochester, Minnesota, a study in efficiency.

- 1-Standard containers fit all conveyors, racks.
- 2-A handsome flow system reacts sensitively to punch card control.

It took IBM more than two years and \$330,000 to work up the system. But the results! Warehouse processing time is down to 6 hours from 24. Savings in manpower and space will pay for the installation in 2½ years.

The setting. The warehouse area is 60,000 sq. ft. The building sits a quarter mile from the main complex of the plant where they make card collators, reproducing punches, card interpreters, and bank proof machines.

One of the material handling engineers showed an MHE editor around.

He discussed the IBM theory of warehousing, based on control of the package, the handling equipment, and the paperwork.

What's in the warehouse. IBM has 24,000 active part numbers (line items) for the parts that go into the machines. The firm stores 5,000 of the bulkier items in rented warehouses in Rochester. We'll deal with the balance, the 19,000 line items that come directly to the IBM warehouse.

The equipment. The storage space is filled with racks of all sorts: small pan racks, shelving drawers, shelf bins, friction slide racks, gravity flow racks, and pallet racks. Most of the storage is slot system, parts going into any available rack, control retained by filing location cards. Some is bin storage, that is, labeled racks and drawers that always hold the same parts.

A conveyor system, nearly 3,000 ft. long, serves most of the racks. The conveyor is mostly gravity, 60-ft. sections which drop from 48 to 18 inches. They're connected by short power belts with a speed of 55 f.p.m. When a box nears the powered belt, the box trips a microswitch which turns on the belt, carries the box to the top of the next gravity section. This continues until the box reaches its destination.

If a gravity section fills with boxes, the power that feeds that section waits until there's room for another box before turning on. This guards against jams. There are 21 power units for the conveyors serving the racks. Motors range from ½ to 1 hp.

Those marvelous containers. Key to fast storage: the containers. IBM looks at packaging of incoming parts in three ways (called levels):

Level 1-Plastic or paper bag for tiny parts.

Level 2—Four standard paperboard boxes, divider trays of pulp, cell-type dividers, a composite can with metal top and bottom.

Level 3—Corrugated and solid fiber tote boxes in five different sizes. There are three solid fiber boxes of the same height and width but different lengths. There's a corrugated carton of the same width and length as one of the solid fiber boxes but a different height. There's a corrugated relay box from the Burlington, Vt., plant.

Level 1 fits into Level 2 which generally fits into Level 3. IBM, as much as possible, requests that suppliers ship in Level 3 boxes. The ideal: right into storage in the original package. IBM repacks the others before storage.

Some of the features worked out (between material handling and purchasing) to develop the standard containers: Weight control, so workers would not have to lift containers weighing more than 60 lb. The interfitting pack modules (levels). Protection of parts in the containers. Receiving in uniform quantities to minimize counting by IBM.

The firm based its storage cube requirement on the number of parts needed for protective inventory and the economic ordering quantity (EOQ). The goal: space for a protective inventory plus 1½ EOQs on hand at all times.

What makes it work. Warehouse control begins early, when a part is ordered from the supplier or



ORDERS MOVE from receiving to these three intransit storage lines. Inspectors (out of sight at right) release orders by pushbutton. First box of each order carries paperwork in envelope.





INSPECTORS receive orders on lower level conveyor, inspect them while the orders sit on gravity conveyors (top photo). Completed orders move up inclined power belt, controlled by pushbuttons at right. After moving past repackaging, orders arrive at the conveyor diverter (bottom photo). Technician pushes one button on control panel to send orders to proper storage zone.

from IBM's own plants. At this time, IBM makes four punch cards:

No. 1. Receiving control card. Contains all facts about the order. This card later becomes a receiving report by mark sensing the quantity received when the shipment comes in.

No. 2. Vendor quality control card. Includes space for the results of inspection, for later machine accounting preparation of quality reports.

No. 3. Stock receipt card. Updates perpetual inventory records in an IBM 650 computer.

No. 4. Routing and location card. Includes all information on routing, whether the part will be repackaged before it's stored, and the exact location where the part will be stored—by zone, row, rack, bay, or stack.

The four cards now go into an open order file in the control center on the warehouse mezzanine. A parts history folder for every purchased part, also on file here, includes prints, specifications, vendor history, and so forth.

When the shipment arrives . . . a receiving clerk removes the vendor's packing slip, sends it to the control center. The shipment remains in the receiving area. A clerk pulls the four punch cards and the parts history folder, mark senses the quantity received on









ORDERS to be shipped arrive at this consolidation area. Stock men make them into unit loads, package them according to destination. Lift trucks move loads to the dock which serves both for shipping and receiving.

CONVEYORS require little power for long distances. Packages move on gravity sections until they reach power belt which kicks on automatically, carrying packages to top of next gravity section. Limit switches prevent jams.

the receiving control card (No. 1). The control center sends the vendor packing slip to accounts payable and sends the card to machine accounting where they make out an order report to keep purchasing informed.

Meanwhile, cards 2, 3, and 4 go into a transparent envelope which sits on the first box of the order. The quantity and part number are marked on the transparent envelope for quick reference.

Into the system. Now the order (one box or many) goes on one of three overhead conveyor storage lines to await inspection. The lead box of each order gets a distinguishing flag. An inspector, by pushbutton, releases an order to his station, sends it away again by powered conveyor. He marks the inspection results on a card which he returns to the control center at the end of his shift.

Some parts need more work. These, after inspection, go directly to an accumulation area for routing to manufacturing. When they return for storage, they go on a conveyor directly to the racks. Orders not needing inspection go directly from receiving to a storage line.

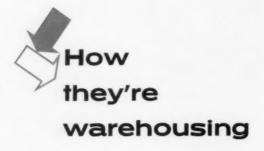
Most orders, however, move on conveyors to a check point. Here, stock clerks verify zone and bin location and send critically-needed parts to shipping for immediate issue. The remainder go on a conveyor which runs past repackaging. If the original packages conform to IBM specifications, they move on. The remainder are pulled off and repackaged either by hand or by a packaging machine with an automatic counter.

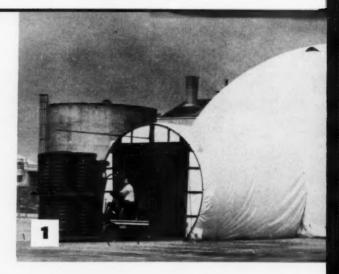
On to the racks. Next station after repackaging is a conveyor diverter. Storage is on two levels divided into zones. The packaging technician at the diverter station pushes a button on the master control panel, automatically sends the parts to the proper zone. Small lights at this station tell the controller that certain lines are full. If so, he holds back the order temporarily.

Each zone has a stock man responsible for stocking and issuing. The routing and location card (No. 4) tells him exactly where to place the boxes of parts. Stocking occurs quickly and easily because the standard boxes fit the spaces exactly.

Issuing also is simple because of the standard boxes. Quantity is known quickly because the stock man counts packages instead of individual pieces. He places the packages on a discharge conveyor system which takes them to the consolidating area.

Moving them out. Orders are staged before they're shipped. The parts arrive at order consolidation on conveyors. A stock man consolidates orders into palletized unit loads. Lift trucks load them on trucks at the same dock where parts are received. Outgoing parts may go to the manufacturing plants, to field offices, to supply depots, in fact, anywhere in the world. ◆





Two Air-inflated warehouses each hold 30,000 passenger tires and lower storage costs as much as 80 percent for B. F. Goodrich Co., Los Angeles.

Each contains 226,195 cu. ft. and measures 180 feet long, 60 feet wide, and 30 feet high, is shaped like a quonset hut with round ends. Both warehouses were ready for service in only two days. Goodrich says the air-inflated warehouses meet the tire industry's big needs for plenty of cheap warehouse space when inventories of tires are being built to meet retail sales peaks.

A 3-horsepower electric motor drives a 30-inch fan continuously, keeping each warehouse inflated at ½ lb. pressure per square foot. An auxiliary gas engine will maintain the same pressure.

The material is airtight and watertight, 6%-ounce nylon fabric coated with Geon vinyl resin. S. I. Warner, manager of sales-service for Goodrich, who thought of using the air house for a warehouse, says he may keep them where they are for seven years and for at least two years. The two houses cost \$25,000, were made for Goodrich by CID Air Structures Co., Chicago. Goodrich is also using air houses for tire storage in Kansas City, Mo. and Columbus, Ohio, is considering them at other major distribution centers.

A BATTERY of retractable shelters provide weather protection and speed the loading and unloading of freight cars at General Electric Co., Glendale, New York.

This plant often had a problem in bad weather. Several doors frequently were opened at the same time to load freight cars. They were plagued with drafts, there was waste of fuel, and floors became slippery. Cartons were exposed when conveyed across the open dock boards.



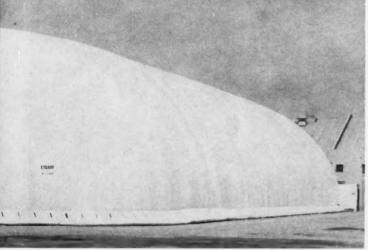
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A special rainguard is vertically retractable, fits neatly inside of the freight car door, and catches the downpour from the freight car roof. The shelter is ready for use in less than a minute.

It takes 19 miles of shelving to store the 4½ million swimsuits, sweaters, and the like, that Catalina, Inc. may have in its new Los Angeles warehouse at any time.

The warehouse serves 18 Catalina plants around Los Angeles. The 80,000 sq. ft, of shelf area demands



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only 15 people to run it and still hit the target of shipment with 48 hours.

The storage area is the second floor of the new building. It is 320 ft. long, 216 ft. wide, and 14 ft. high. There are 194 separate racks, arranged in five rows, and served by a continuous, trolley conveyor.

Easy order picking. Catalina has assigned a simple letter-number code to each row. Every item is consigned to a row by size, color, and style. (About 17,000 different items in 14 separate lines are manufactured each year). The home address of each item is stored in an electronic memory system.

The continuous trolley conveyor serves only the main aisles flanking the main rack battery. Order pickers load up their carts and roll them out from the sub-aisles to the main aisles, beneath the trolley. At this point, a pusher (there are 70) hanging down from the trolley track engages a mast extending upward from the cart, and pulls the cart with it. The trolley can move 120 carts an hour. The trolley also brings empty carts to the picking area.

BEHR-MANNING, the coated abrasive and pressure-sensitive tape makers, had a sticky ware-housing problem. They were storing rolls of treated paper that weighed a quarter ton each—but which were extremely prone to damage when stacked more than two high. So the warehousemen needed 8,000 sq. ft. of storage space just to take care of the unstackables.

Material handling expert Joe Tardi saw the potential saving here and moved in. He set up a system of drive-in pallet racks that cut the storage area down to 3,500 sq. ft.

Now the rolls arrive in lots of 48 and are palletized two per pallet. A fork lift truck then carries them into a section of rack and spots the palletloads on the rails. Each section holds three deep and four high. Wooden chocks on the pallets keep the rolls from falling off when they're being moved.

The system has other advantages besides space saving. Now rolls are easier to find, easier to move out of storage, and get damaged less often.





Mechanical Handling Systems, Inc.

carts remember their stops

By HENRY LEFER, Eastern Editor

Towline Handling has gone sophisticated at the Philadelphia Wholesale Drug Co.'s new headquarters and distribution center. There, 50 switch carts are pulled by an underfloor chain over a 1000-ft loop, and automatically switched off at 16 stations. These carts remember their destination even while recirculating.

Philadelphia Wholesale Drug is a cooperative buying organization serving about 1200 member pharmacies in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland. The cooperative stocks about 20,000 items, and ships between 4000 and 5000 orders a week, with 10 cartons in an average order.

When the company planned its move from the old 7-story headquarters in Philadelphia to the brand new, 150,000-sq. ft. center in the suburb of Ft. Washington, management decided to take full advantage of the one-story layout in mechanizing the receiving-warehousing-shipping operations.

John G. H. Alberti, secretary of PWD, who administered the new installation, told MHE that although there was never any question during the planning stage that the new warehouse would be mechanized

and automated to some degree, this would be done not for novelty but for practicality. The under-floor towline system was chosen because it simplified construction of the building and did not introduce overhead obstructions or interfere with the lighting.

The system has proven itself, Alberti says, by providing a simple, fast way of restocking shelves, and allowing the company to make more efficient use of its manpower.

How it works. The merchandise, arriving mainly by tractor-trailer and truck, is received at the five-truck dock. Receiving books it and dispatches it to allocated areas in the warehouse. Case lots, on pallets, are moved to the case lot storage area on walkie lift trucks. Other lots go to the mixed case section, where the cartons are opened and the items separated according to shelf location.

The items for a single location are loaded on a special switching cart made by SI Handling Systems. Some carts have flat beds, others have shelves. The dispatcher drops a steel address pin in one of sixteen holes in a housing across the front of the cart. He then

positions the cart over the towchain slot in the floor and drops the spring-loaded tow pin into the slot. The underground chain engages the tow pin and moves the cart out.

Just before each sidetrack or spur, there is a spring-loaded tab sticking above the floor. The location of the tab corresponds with one of the 16 holes in the housing on the cart. When the cart reaches its addressed station, its pin is tipped as it passes over the tab, causing the tow pin to spring up and a guide pin to drop into the slot of the spur track. The spur is not powered, and the cart sits at the entrance until the next cart comes along and bumps it in.

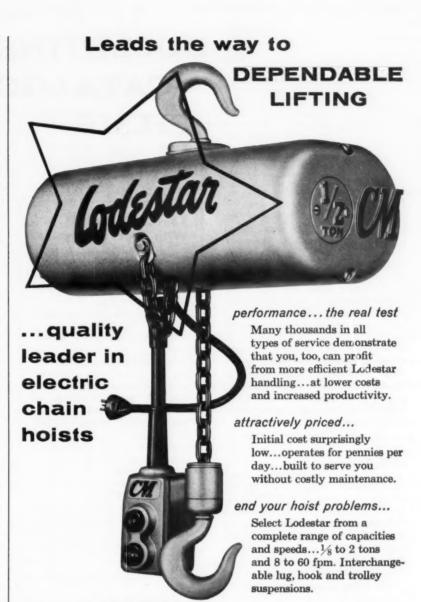
The cart remembers. A spur will hold up to five carts, and cannot be overloaded. When the spur is full, the first cart causes the spring-loaded tab to depress, so it will not trip the switching mechanism of any following cart addressed to that location. Instead the cart recirculates until there is room. In this way, the address pin acts as a permanent memory until it is removed.

At the spur, the stockman raises the guide-pin and rolls the cart to the shelves for unloading. When he is finished, he places the cart over the conveyor track, drops the address pin in the receiving section hole, and drops the tow pin. The cart automatically returns to receiving for another load.

When orders are to be filled, the office sends a set of cards to the picking section and the case lot section, and a set of papers to the shipping dock so truck loading can be planned. These are transmitted from the office through pneumatic tubes.

The towline is not used for order filling, as many orders are too small to warrant tying up a cart. Instead PWD uses canvas baskets on conveyor belts. As the pickers fill their baskets, they send them on the belt to packing and shipping. ◆

This MHE Guide to Warehousing completes the series of issues that began with the Guide to Receiving and Storing (January) and followed through with the Guide to In-Process Handling (May). Next year's special issues will include a Yard Handling Handbook Issue in April, and a Special Packaging Issue in November.



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Load Puller

New model of lever-and-ratchet manual puller weighs only 71/2 lb., enables man to exert 3,000 lb. pull. Made extra safe: will take overload well above rating, and safety handle bends if stress approaches unsafe range, Literature also presents 2,000and 1,500-lb. capacity models. American Gage and Mfg. Co.

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Plywood Pallet Data

Packet brings you plywood pallet specifications, plans for making plywood pallets according to various de-



signs, case histories on use of plywood pallets and slipboards. Case histories describe use by warehouse, mail-order business, brewery, wholesale grocer. Douglas Fir Plywood Association.

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You Can Do A Lot With Stacker Cranes

Visit many plants-via filmlearn uses of stacker cranes you never thought of. You see cranes moving along the narrowest aisles to store skids of steel on high racks-you see these cranes handling big foundry ladles, even bigger foundry flaskshauling huge, white-hot metal slabs from heat treat to the rolling mill-stacking palletized goods on racks. Includes many types of cranes. Simplest are controlled by walking operator using pendant control. Others carry operator on a control platform that moves with crane's fork or grab. Still others are remote controlled from a pulpit. "Stacker Cranes" is 16 mm., in color, runs 12½ minutes. To book a showing write on your letterhead to Industrial Crane Div., All-State Engineering Co., 7050 N. 76th St., Milwaukee 23. Wis.

Wire Rope Conveyor Supports
If you hang your belt conveyor support rollers on horizontal wire ropes, (like the staves of a stave-andrope hammock), you can install them in % the time you would take to put up a conveyor on a rigid frame. The advantage is greatest when you want to shift from floor supports to roof supports in a factory, or when you go across uneven ground, as outdoors or in a mine. Everything you need to know about wire-rope supported conveyors is told in Bulletin 173, 2 colors, 24 p. Hewitt-Robins.

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Vertical Case Conveyor

New automatic vertical conveyor hoists cases at 70 f.p.m., can be set to make 10 stops a minute, automatically indexing at discharge level. May have 2 or more discharge levels for packages leaving unit. Handles

packages up to 15% x 36 x 15 in., weights up to 180 lb. on each carrier. Data Sheet VL-4, 2 p. Alvey Conveyor Mfg. Co.

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Attachment Advantages

'Pallet or Palletless?" gives you a quick but complete review of the advantages of using pallets, explains the advantages you get from an attachment method of handling. Action pictures of fork lift trucks using both methods. Folder, 2 colors, 8 p. Automatic, Div. of Yale & Towne.

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Catalog of Conveyors

Binder brings you series of bulletins cataloging manufacturer's complete line of wheel, roller, belt, and cable conveyors. Fully illustrated, includes specifications. "Conveyors by Buschman," 80 p. E.W. Buschman Co.

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Pallet Dollies

You don't have to wait for a lift truck to move a pallet a short distance when you use pallet dollies. These magnesium dollies are light, strong, easy to handle. Tilt and non-tilt types described in Specification Sheet. 2 colors, 1 p. Brooks & Perkins, Inc.

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Electric car weighs only 200 lb., carries one man, will tow 250 lb. load. Use, dimensions, specifications given in Folder 504, 4 p. Namisco Inc.

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Compares Charging Methods

Data sheet summarizes advantages of motor-generators in comparison with rectifiers, as a means of charging storage batteries. Data Sheet 51-41, 2 p. Motor-Generator Corp.

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Quick Guide to Casters

Manufacturer gives data on more than 200 sizes and types of casters, selected to fit needs of most users. Covers load capacity range from 125 lb. to 15,000 lb. Form 7161, 2 colors, 4 p. Faultless Caster Corp.

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Closed Circuit TV

Explains automatic closed-circuit TV, how it's installed, how you use it to monitor conveyors and warehouses, how to handle maintenance. Pictures of representative installations. Both standard and high resolu-tion (more detailed TV picture) equipment offered in Catalog 6-205, 2 colors, 8 p. Kin Tel Div., Cohu Electronics.

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Chain Conveyor

Booklet describes a chain conveyor that can run flat, uphill, downhill, straight up or down, or upside down, and can make curves on a 6 in. radius. Carries 60 lb. per foot, but can be adapted to handle 120-lb. individual loads. Description of all components, typical layouts and installations in "Quality Overhead," 2 colors, 12 p. Chainveyor Corp.

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Indice De Modelos Spanish edition of "Selector Guide for Industrial Trucks". Describes, gives specifications for 150 "motoestibadones para uso industrial." includes motoestibadones de horquilla, patines para plataforma, para tarima, trac-tores, y aditamentos." Automatic Transportation Co.

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Powered Platform Truck

Low profile and high capacity are important features of powered car-

rier. Bed is 9 ft. long, 5 ft. wide, handles 2-ton load, Powered by 60 h.p. gasoline engine. Folder shows photo of truck, dimensional diagrams, specs, details of mechanical components. Bulletin K 45-9, 2 colors, 4 p. Kalamazoo Mfg. Co.

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Inventory Control

The average cost of carrying inventory is 17% of what you invest in the inventory-that is, if you have \$10,000 worth of material on hand, in a year it will cost you \$1,700 just to have it and handle it. In "Inventory Control Techniques" R. L. Van-DeMark tells you how to find

out what your carrying cost is, and how to cut that cost. He gives practical methods -without difficult math-for setting lot size



and re-order points, for improving control over inventory with less record keeping, for taking physical inventory faster, and for setting up workable inventory cost budgets. The book includes fundamental, proved techniques, and new, advanced ideas. It should be a manual for a beginner, a refresher for old pros, and a handy reference for everyone responsible for production and inventory control. "Inventory Control Techniques," by R. L. VanDeMark. (VanDe-Mark Inc., Box 120, St. Clair, Michigan. 116 p. Paperbound.

Conveyors
Portfolio presents whole "Elton" line of conveyors. Describes powered portable belt conveyors that handle packages, parts, bulk materials. Also stationary belt, roller, and wheel convevors, and stands. Portfolio with bulletins, 18 p. Chantland Co.

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New Angles on Slotted Angles "Idea Book" suggests dozens of ways for using slotted angles, to build racks, bins, floor trucks, mezzanines. Also catalogs maker's shelving, drawers, drawer cabinets. Bulletin 307, 2 colors, 32 p. Equipto.

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Four-Way Printer

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Floor Hardener

Technical information on penetrating epoxy coating for concrete and wood floors. Stops dusting of concrete floors, keeps wood from splintering, rotting. Hallemite Mfg. Co.

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Electrical Code Bulletin

Comprehensive manual covers switches, circuit-breakers, lights, etc., required where hazardous materials such as benzene, gasoline, are used or stored. Gives electrical code, with explanation, and presents the hardware you use to meet code. Bulletin 2722, 2 colors, 60 p. Crouse-Hinds.

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Safer Ladders

Bulletin describes safety features of wheeled extension ladder. They include outriggers, guard rails at both sides, pulpit-type guard around user, flat rungs at standing position, locking device to anchor ladder to ground, and leveling jack. Bulletin 159-1-560-30, 2 p. Ballymore Co.

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Gravity Conveyors

Comprehensive catalog brings you information about roller and wheel gravity conveyors. Suggests applications that solve conveying problems. Provides data for determining correct pitch, capacity, curve width, etc. Shows parts and accessories, also use of units in live storage racks. "Roller-Gravity," 48 p. Lamson Corp.

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Luggage Handling
Folder describes conveying system that handles luggage fast but gently at Montreal airport. Bulletin MIA 561, 2 colors, 6 p. Mathews Conveuer Co.

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Drive-In Rack Systems

Bulletin explains applications of FILO (first-in-last-out) and FIFO (first-in-first-out) drive-in pallet rack arrangements. Shows how drive-in racks can be set up using 4 basic parts. Bulletin 111, 3 colors, 4 p. Bernard Gloekler North East Co.

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Automatic Order Picking

"Full Conveyor Order Picking Control" tells all about an automated material control system using the principle of having cartons go from live racks to "reserved spaces" on the conveyors. Explains how system works, control components used, and engineering help offered by maker. Bulletin GEA-7219, 2 colors, 8 p. General Electric Co.

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Like a gantry crane on wheels, one of these big carriers can pick up a piggyback trailer, set it on the straddled flat car, then move on to load the next car. Handles trailers, containers, or unit loads 40 ft. long weighing 40 tons. "Travelift for Freight Handling" shows pictures, gives specifications for standard models. Form 102-61-1500, 2 colors, 4 p. Travelift Div., Drott Mfg. Corp.

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Safety Stairs

Safety stairs assemble like storage racks, without nuts or bolts. Excellent for storage mezzanines, truck dock steps, etc. Catalog sheet gives dimensions, ordering information. Bulletin 110, 2 colors, 2 p. Bernard Gloekler North East Co.

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Shop in this catalog to find the type of self-contained scales your operation needs. Choose from 4 cabinet dials, 6 pillar dials, 5 platform sizes, and either metal box or skeleton-frame construction. You can also get accessory for automatic printing of tare to make an error-proof, permanent record. Bulletin 8003, 2 colors, 12 p. Fairbanks, Morse, & Co.

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Unique Overhead Conveyor Booklet explains advantage of overhead conveyor trolley that has a third wheel turning in a horizontal plane. Diagrams, pictures show what you can do with this type of conveyor. Includes section on power-and-free installations. Tells how you can use this design inverted to move material on roller conveyor or chute. "Trimming Overhead," 2 colors, 28 p. Hapman Corp.

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Standardized Belt Conveyors

Booklet covers standardized belt conveyor units, 9 ft. to 99 ft. long, 18 in. to 36 in. wide, capacities to 500 tons an hour. Gives charts to show bulk material classifications, capacities, and belt speeds. Includes detailed specifications, prices, plan drawings of 3-10 h.p. and 15-30 h.p. terminals. 11 p. Finco, Inc.

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Monorail Manual

"Material Handling with Monorail" tells you about the history, components, and uses of monorail convevors and cranes. In glossary, line drawings clarify terms used to describe components. Pictures suggest many ways to use monorails. Booklet M-1, 2 colors, 24 p. Monorail Manufacturers Association.

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Modular Racks

"How to Win the Race for Storage Space" explains modular design of rack components, suggests ways to use racks to get maximum use of storage space without losing accessibility. Also shows new rack parts designed for drive-in and drivethrough racks. Acme Steel Co.

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Floor Finish Lasts Longer

Two to three times longer life from floor finish in areas exposed to extreme traffic and abrasion is promised for urethane coating. Literature tells what it is, what it does, where to use it, how to apply it to wood and concrete. Bulletin 61.129, 2 colors, 2 p. G.H. Tennant Co.

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Wrapping-Strapping System Saves Labor, **Protects Product**

New film shows operation of an assembly-line packaging station for wrapping and strapping skids of paper. With new compression strapper 2 men do the job in half the time it formerly took 3 men. Film shows whole process: Skids reach wrapping station on roller conveyor; there 2 men drape wrap over paper. Conveyor then moves skid to compression strapper run by one of the two operators; only one operator is needed for strapping because "sabre" feeder passes strap through notches in skid runners. Other operator meanwhile prepares wrap for next skid. Strapper applies 10 tons compression, a pressure determined by research as right for protecting paper in transit. Film is 16 mm., sound and color, 22 minutes running time. If you would like to view it in your offices, or book a print for showing before your company personnel, write to: Signode, 2600 N. Western Ave., Chicago 47, Ill.

Office Conveyor

Move documents such as orders, bills of lading, etc., from desk to desk, office to office on conveyorsit speeds processing. Bulletin explains conveyor designed to do it. Bulletin 500, 4 p. Mercury Industries, Inc.

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Detailed catalog of steel shelving, bins, bin dividers, drawers, and

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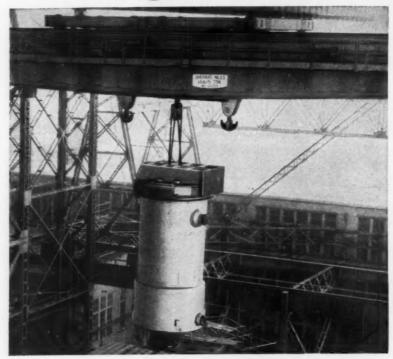
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closed racks for storage. Interesting item: lightweight castered racks for vertical storage of long, thin tubes, such as map tubes. Full specifications, dimensions on all items. Catalog 300, 28 p. Frontier Mfg. Co.

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Combine Power & Free

By combining power and free overhead conveyors you automatically direct and recall the materials you handle, so you have a system that controls material flow. Folder clearly illustrates components, actual installations, and typical layout. Form 2365, 2 colors, 6 p. Rapistan-Keystone Inc.

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Transmission Maintenance Manual

"Servicing the Clarklift Hydratork" tells how to tear down, overhaul, and re-assemble torque converter and transmission. Also gives trouble-shooting hints. It goes with a slide film which Clark provides on the same subject. This 68-page manual includes 196 photos and cutaway drawings showing maintenance operations step by step. Get it from Clark dealers, or from: Manuals and Statistics Dept., Industrial Truck Div., Clark Equipment Co., Battle Creek, Mich. \$1.50.

Racks for Warehousing

You handle and assemble only 2 basic parts to set up new pallet rack—no bolting, no welding. For heavy and light materials. Installations illustrated in Bulletin, "Series 58," 2 colors, 4 p. Palmer-Shile Co.

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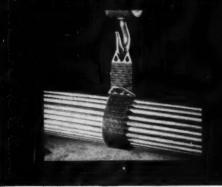
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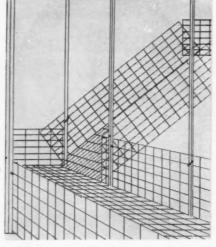
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Automatic Computer Programming

Manual describes specifications for Translator-Assembler Compiler system used with Philco 2000 computer. TAC is an automatic programming system which produces machine code from programmer's symbols. 26 p., *Philco Corp.*

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Hand and Electric Elevators

Hand- and electric-powered 2-post portable elevators can raise and stack pallets, skids, barrels, bags, and cases to ceiling height. Telescopic types for high lifts. All portables hand-propelled on heavy-duty wheels. Maker also offers portable cranes, 4-post and floor-to-floor stationary elevators for industrial use. Bulletin 605 includes form for requesting quotation. *Barrett-Cravens Co*.

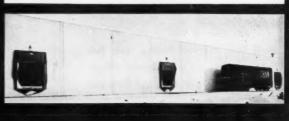
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MATERIALS-HANDLING NEWS

NEW AND UNUSUAL APPLICATIONS OF BASSICK CASTERS THAT MIGHT BE ADAPTED TO YOUR HANDLING PROBLEMS

SPEED, FLOORS, OPERATING CONDITIONS DETERMINE CASTER LOAD CAPACITY

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Wheels can give you more if you pick them right



tread composition wheel of the same size. The rubber tread wheel can be counted on to carry about half as much.

Take the popular Bassick "H99." With a 2" tread semisteel wheel 6" in diameter, this caster is load-rated at 750 pounds per caster. The same caster with a Bassick "Alcore" aluminum cored rubber tread is load-rated at 410 pounds. (Tire & Rim Ass'n Rating, and Caster & Floor Truck Mfgs. Ass'n Standard.)

Then, too, for equal loads on equal floor surfaces soft rubber tread wheels will be harder to roll and swivel than an otherwise equivalent caster with steel or hard tread wheel.

Soft treads do give the advantages of increased floor protection and less noise. And a hard composition wheel like Bassick non-marking "Atlasite" can give you almost the carrying capacity of steel wheels with a great deal more protection to floors.

DID YOU KNOW

... that roller bearings do *not* increase load carrying capacity? But they do give easier starting and easier rolling under maximum loads.

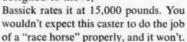
When ordering casters from the load capacity data given in catalogs, you must consider such variables as operating speed, condition or type of floor, and whether operation is to be manual or power pulled.

All of these may modify the published load ratings given on a caster or a certain type of wheel. The catalog data can only be an approximation. Bassick—with a reputation to maintain as the world's largest caster maker—protects customers by making its ratings conservative. However, you should keep in mind the elementary facts on this page. In cases of doubt, submit full details on loads, operating conditions, speed, type of equipment to Bassick and ask for recommendations. We will be glad to supply them.

DO YOU NEED A "RACE HORSE" OR "BULL ELEPHANT" CASTER?

Sometimes in caster selection you can trade speed for load carrying capacity . . . and vice versa . . . and sometimes with judicious planning you can get a moderate degree of both speed and power. For instance:

This 10" Series "93" caster is a real "bull elephant." On static load it can stand up safely under 60,000 pounds. At the moderate speeds at which it is designed to move,



On the other hand, here's a 10" Series "TS" caster that's specially designed for carrying power-pulled loads at 5 to 10 miles an hour-trailer usage



high speeds for a caster. Load capac-

ity under these conditions: 2,500 pounds per caster, with semisteel wheels. Bassick "Floating Hub" casters may be obtained for even higher speeds.

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rated at 750 pounds, would safely carry 1000 pounds if overloaded by a careless workman.

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"Floating Hub" caster

above the maximum loads anticipated. In addition, select a wheel large enough to ride easily over obstacles (Bassick "Floating Hubs" help here, too). The larger the wheel the easier it will roll.

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Towline Conveyors for Freight

Folder describes economies gained by using towline conveyors to handle freight in western truck line terminals. "Trucking Terminals Utilize Automation," 2 colors, 4 p. Jervis B. Webb Co.

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Pneumatic Tired Lift Truck

Model C-20 Fork lift has pneumatic tires on drive wheels, cushion steer tires. They help you when floors are rough, and for outdoor operation. Truck is gas-powered, has ton capacity at 24 in. Specifications, dimensions, chart of grade and drawbar pull in Bulletin SS-2065, 2 colors, 4 p. Clark Equipment Co.

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Racks Display, Handle, Store Rolled Fabrics

Rolls of carpeting, cloth, plastics stored and handled easily on Trak-Rak. Standard racks have capacity for rolls up to 15 ft. long, weighing 750 lb. each. Rolls can stack 6 high. Racks travel on overhead track or floor casters. Specifications, floor layouts, accessories, and pictures of typical installations in Bulletin TRD-111, 2 colors, 8 p. Floor Covering Equipment Co.

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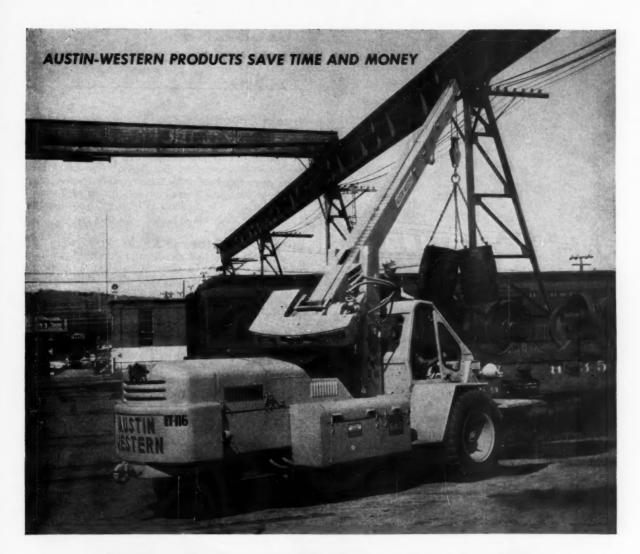
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rear trunnion power steering permit it to work in even the tightest quarters with ease.

Other time and money saving features include dual front driving wheels; road speeds from 2 to 18 mph. Torque converter and full hydraulic reversing mechanism are standard. The 110 can be adapted to your particular job needs with various combinations of

features and equipment. And it's designed and built for easy, economical, troublefree maintenance.

Why not take a good look at this versatile new piece of materials handling equipment. Ask your Austin-Western distributor for a demonstration or write us for details.

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Breakthrough in Conveyor Engineering

Research teams from the University of Pennsylvania investigated heavy-duty conveyors handling bulk materials, then developed new formulas that predict horsepower requirements consistently, accurately. New tables and charts cover speed and idler factors, pulley friction, drive factors, belt weights. These new data presented by sponsor of the study in Bulletin 175, 24 p. Hewitt-Robins

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Wire Totes, Storage Racks

Catalog of wire baskets and toting fixtures, such as hanger for carrying 12 cherry pies. Also wire storage racks and shelving. All equipment tinned, chrome-plated, or stainless steel to resist corrosion. Specifications, dimensions, illustrations in Catalog 60. 2 colors, 32 p. Metropolitan Wire Goods Corp.

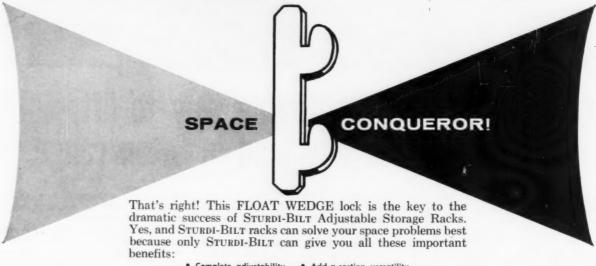
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Material Handling in Foundries

Unique conveyors engineered for foundry use improve handling of molds, core boxes, sand, and castings. Booklet also presents special foundry equipment such as casting carts, drag flask return, flask stripper, and mold shakeout. Two colors, 28 p. Nomad Equipment Corp.

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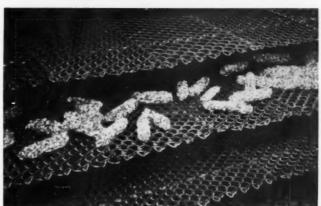
Want to increase your production?

Vita Food Products, Inc., New York City, is putting out three times as many maraschino cherries with a USS Cyclone Belt and some new processing machinery. And they've done it without adding more personnel! They've found there's no breaking or oxidation with the Cyclone Belt-even after steady use in a submersion-type pasteurizer.



Want to stop wasting time?

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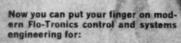
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Tractor Shovel Specifications

Specification sheet for new tractor shovel shows two engine options, either 250 or 336 h.p. Diesels. Rated lifting capacity is 12 tons, and unit is furnished with 4, 5, or 6 cu. yd. bucket. Important feature: 9 ft. 3 in. wheelbase, to improve stability. Form 4042, 3 colors, 2 p. Yale & Towne Mfg. Co.

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Figure Man-Moving Savings!

How much does it cost you to have supervisors walking around your plant? How much can you save if they ride? Bulletin "Here's How" gives you work-sheet for figuring the savings, shows how to use it. Two colors, 4 p. Cushman Motors

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Saves Tractor Maintenance Time

'Avoid Delay the Modern Way" explains exchangemaintenance plan for assemblies on maker's equipment: you order a needed replacement assembly, at the same time turn in your worn or broken assembly. You get a guaranteed replacement at once, pay for it only what it costs to repair the assembly you turn in. You save time, may save money. Bulletin 3547, 2 colors, 8 p. Caterpillar Tractor Co.

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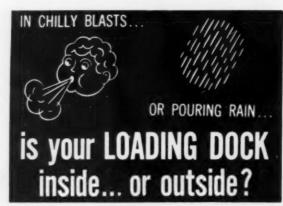
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Power & Free Conveyors

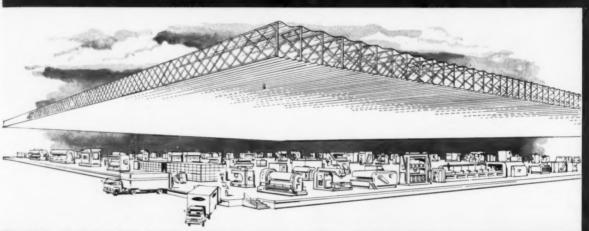
'Power & Free" tells how you can use a power-andfree overhead conveyor system, how it will fit your needs for automatic dispatching, live storage, supplying production operations. Includes system layouts, photos of installations, descriptions of components such as drive dogs, automatic switches, carriers, etc. Two colors, 6 p. Chainveyor Corp.

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Fork Lift Handles 12 Tons

Specifications bulletin gives details on gasoline- or diesel-engine fork lift truck that handles 12 tons at 24 in. load center. Pictures explain construction features. (Other bulletins present 5, 6, 7k, 8k, 9, 10, and 11 ton trucks in same series). Bulletin TM-8, 3 colors 4 p. Towmotor Corp.

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PLAN YOUR TRAFFIC FLOW *FIRST*

Efficient material handling starts with the floor plan. Forget about the roof and the walls. Lay out your traffic plan, assembly lines, storage and handling space—exactly as you need them. Plan on 50 to 1000 feet of clear-span space—any desired height.

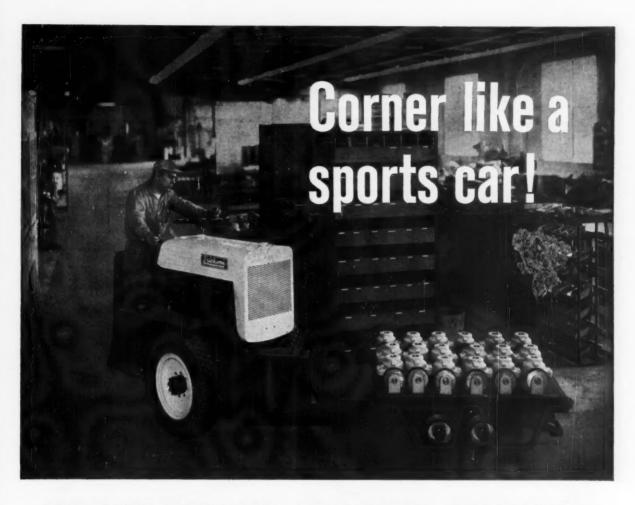
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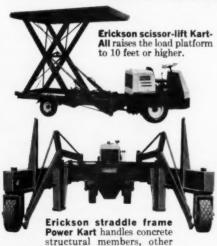
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BARRETT MODEL HX

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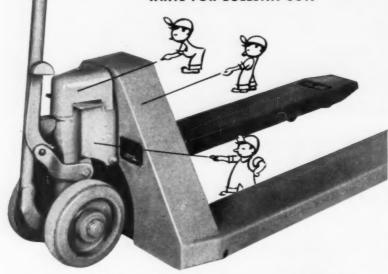
exclusive features make operation easier, increase maneuverability, add strength, cut in-use costs

Look at the time-saving hydraulic pump and ram on this Barrett Model HX pallet truck. See and test the annoyance-ending "flying saucer" entry wheels that guide forks quickly into pallets. Check the extra strong, all-welded ribbed frame construction that means money-saving durability.

Add its other features and be convinced of its extra value:

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- Lightweight but strong—weighs under 200 lb. (with 48-in. forks).
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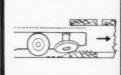
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Ever see a time-saving feature like this hydraulic pump and ram package unit? Simply remove one bolt to change entire unit.



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Dispenses or Stacks Pallets

Dispenser feeds pallets from magazine to loading station, or to conveyor serving several stations. Controlled manually or automatically. Small



modification makes it a pallet stacker, receiving empty pallets, elevating and stacking them as high as headroom permits. Has end and side entrances for lift truck. Used in pairs for feeding and stacking, these dispensers eliminate almost all manual pallet handling, reduce lift truck usage. As stackers, they cut time for stacking in half.

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Formed Container Automation

Completely automated by a continuous rotary process, Formline packaging machines are compact and hori-



zontal. They dispense, fill, and seal rigid plastic formed containers of all shapes. Packaging speeds on standard machines range from six to 100 per minute. Speeds up to 600 finished packages per minute are obtained on custom models. Tear tapes for opening covers are automatically applied if desired.

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MATERIAL HANDLING ENGINEERING

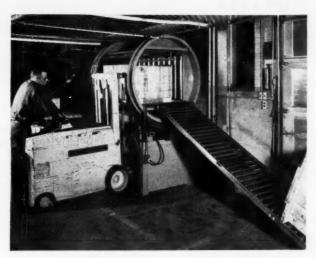


HOW "TECHNICS" PLANNING PAYS "COMPOUND SAVINGS"

In any business, whether yours is a manufacturing plant, a wholesale warehouse, a retail or chain operation, or a service industry, materials handling is the one function that is closely related to all the other management arts.

Because of its influence on so many other departments and functions, it can be utilized as a management tool, to coordinate methods improvements throughout an organization, directed toward the common goal of reduced operating costs and increased profits.

This principle is the basis of Rapistan's proven "Technics" approach to cost reduction. It starts with the materials handling system, in all its aspects; then, extends the benefits of improved materials flow to produce subsidiary benefits in other areas of management as well.



New containerization of these conveyor wheels, specified by Purchasing, coupled with a new automatic unloading device designed by Plant Engineering, speeded truck unloading to 1/12th the former time. Wirebound crates are designed for re-use as finished goods shipping containers for a further saving.

Thorough Planning-The Key

Rapistan's "Technics" concept of materials handling goes an important step beyond solving the problems of movement, transfer, storage and flow control. It recognizes the inter-relationships of the flow system with other management functions—purchasing, industrial engineering, product design, manufacturing, quality control—even clerical procedures.

By thorough planning, to augment and capitalize on improvements in the flow system through all related management activities, a "Technics" plan gives management maximum return on its investment.

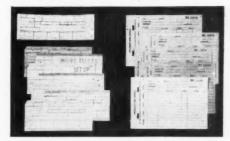
A successful Technics program requires skillful coordination, under centralized and authoritative direction. Only top management can provide this. But, by the nature of his specialization, the materials

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handling engineer can contribute much to such a program. Your Rapistan sales engineer can offer new ideas and techniques of materials handling. And, his knowledge of "Technics" principles can help you compound the savings in many related phases of your total operation.



Plant engineers who designed this transfer mechanism to match Rapistan live storage Flow Racks helped make the entire system more efficient and versatile. Such contributions illustrate relationship between plant functions and materials handling, developed through Technics planning.



IBM data processing is coordinated with the flow system in this successful Technics program. These cards trigger movement of raw materials and work in process into and out of storage, and over the conveyor system between manufacturing operations.

This new brochure illustrates "Technics" planning at work in the management of materials, solving problems of inventory control, order selection and



similar warehousing functions for manufacturing and distributing firms. For your copy write to The RAPIDS-STANDARD CO., Inc., 510 Rapistan Bldg., Grand Rapids 2, Michigan.





Powell FLOW-MATIC system discharges box contents automatically, via gravity feed, at proper work level. Lift truck has easy access to load and unload boxes,

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PRODUCT NEWS

Tractor Loader Attachment

A new Forced Feed Conveyor Loader attachment now goes with the Massey-Ferguson Utility 65 trac-



tor. This combination is ideal for stockpile loading, windrow pickup, scarifying and stripping, pit and bank loading. The tractor provides both transporting and operating power for loader operations. The conveyor, 30 inches wide, has heavy ply rubber belting. It runs 500 f.p.m. Capacity: 5 to 8 cu. yd. a minute in loose material and 20 cu. yd. a minute in snow. Operating height: 11 ft. Discharging height, 10 ft.

Massey-Ferguson Industrial Division

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into a chute, is fed around the container, pneumatically tensioned to preset pressure, sealed and cut. Furthermore, the Model 480 Strapping Unit may be altered easily for product changes. It can strap cartons of almost any height and width.

A. J. Gerrard & Co.

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MATERIAL HANDLING ENGINEERING

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PRODUCT NEWS

Semi-circular Bench Stand

Stand for company's Plastiboxes holds 3 sizes as shown. Can also be set up to mount all of any one size,



or combinations of other sizes depending on assembly operations. Plas-

unload steel

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hitches or chains!

tiboxes are easily removed for refilling. Stand provides maximum accessibility of parts to one assembly worker. G. B. Lewis Co.

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Pack Isolates Shock

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> Zero Manufacturing Co. Circle 421 on Reader Service Card

Light Weight Loading Ramps

Magnesium ramps in 3 models, total capacities 1,500 lb. (Porto-Walk), 3,000 and 5,500 lb. (Com-



puter ramps, so named because they support computers safely). Weights range from 61 lb. for 6-ft.

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aluminum. Smooth inside surface, rounded corners shed dust, dirt. Withstands steam-cleaning, temps to -40° F. Tapered, nests when empty. Sizes from 16 to 21 cu. ft.

Hamilton Caster & Mfg. Co.

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Visual Storage Drawers

Transparent Lucite "Vue-Trays" keep stored parts visible. For small parts, screws, electronic components,



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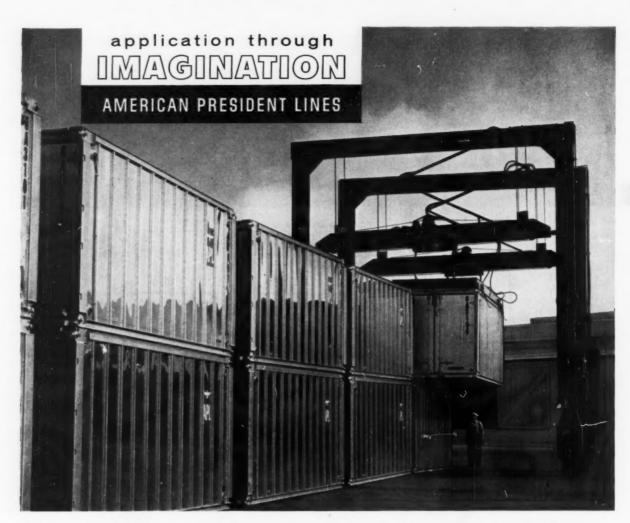
SELECTION ART for triple-tested Moline Chains*

Here is a quick, easy reference chart for comparing the seven most popular Moline Chains. Are you familiar with all the attachments available... the range of sizes... and all their applications? This chart will help you compare their size, capacity range and various uses. It's a part of the new, illustrated "Moline Conveyor Chain Manual and Design Engineers' Handbook" which is available now to help you specify the right chain for your requirements. Write today for your copy.

	& NUMBER	APPLICATION AND INSTALLATION	ATTACHMENTS	PITCH RANGE IN INCHES	STRENGTH IN LBS.
	Detachable Chains—25, 32, 33, 34, 42, 45, 50, 51, 5-51, 52, 55, 57, 62, 67, 75, 77, 78, 88, 95, 103, 108, 114, 124	Widely used throughout industry, conform to "manufacturers' standard" and available in a wide variety of sizes. Many attachments make this type versatile and adaptable to any light to medium-duty conveyor service.	A-1-2-3-12-110 C-1-5-8-15 D-3-4-5 E-1 F-2-8-16 K-1-2-3-5-40-73-345 H-1-2 K-1-2-3-5-40 L-2 M-1-3 R-1-2 S-1 Scraper 1-29	.902 to 4.063	700 to 17,000
0000	Pintle Chains 400 class. Light weight Pintle. 700 class.	Serviceable, long-wearing, moderately- priced chain for general elevating, conveying and power transmission service for drives at low and intermediate speeds with moderate loads. In "400" lightweight and "700" class types.	A-1-12-115 D-5 E-1 F-2-5-16 G-1-6-19 K-1-2 M-1 F-2-5 F-22-6" F-2-22-8" A-2-42 K-1-2-720-A-2-730 720-M-1 M-1-2	1.375 to 4.720	4,200 to 22,000
	H-Type Mill H-60, H-62, H-74, H-75, H-78, H-82, H-85, H-87, H-95, H-124	Designed primarily for heavy drives and transfer conveyors in saw mills and pulp and paper mills but widely used throughout industry. Strong and rugged, provided with wearing shoes for stiffness and long service life.	A-1-12 F-4 G-1-6-19-48 H-1-2 K-1-2 M-3 R&L RR	1.654 to 4.000	7,000 to 30,000
	Combination Type Mill Chain 6104, 6110, 8116, 8480	Designed for the same applications as regular H-type conveyor chains and refuse chains but has larger diameter rivet, greater ultimate strength for more rugged duty in general drag conveyor service applications.		6.00 to 8.00	42,000 to 56,000
	Combination Chains—C-55, C-77, C-102B, C-102½, C-110, C-110-C, C-111, C-111-C, C-131, C-131-C, C-132, C-132-C, PW-132, C-188, MW-188	Very rugged and serviceable for use in bucket, transfer and many other types of conveyors. Widely used in cement, chemical, lumber, quarrying, mining industries. Available in pin and cotter assembly or riveted construction.	C-3-132 RF-12 F-2 G-6-19 K-1-2-3 LL-25	1.631 to 6.050	9,000 to 50,000
	Dairy Conveyor MC-33	Extensively used in dairy and bottling industries, designed for both horizontal and lateral turning. Detachable construction, interchangeable with manufacturers' standard 4250, available only in extra strength Promal.		2.500 only	12,000
6	Ley bushed Chain—823, 825, 830, 844	Developed for hard, rugged service under extremely abrasive and other adverse conditions. Used extensively in conveying or elevating sand, gravel, cement and in similar industries where service demands are rigid.	K-2 F-2	4.00 to 6.00	19,000 to 40,000

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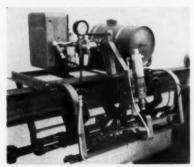
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PRODUCT

Automatic Lubricator

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ed. Lubricator places the oil where it's needed. Lubricant goes on the top of the pin, on the side that the chain link rides against. Gravity brings the lubricant down in between the pin and the link. Air-operated unit has a caterpillar-type chain driven by the conveyor chain. This actuates a group of oil dispensing nozzles. The nozzles move in and out over the conveyor chain, as well as along with it.

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Industrial Sales Div.,
The Industrial Erectors, Inc.
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25-Ton Straddle Truck

The M500A 50,000 lb. capacity Straddle Truck carrier features an allhydraulic lift system. Main feature: maneuverability. Company says vul-



nerable mechanical linkage (sprockets, chains, etc.) have all been eliminated. Two high pressure pumps power load lift and shoe swing and steering. A flow motor assures equal hydraulic pressure at four lifting points, equalizing cylinder travel for safe operation. A four-way check valve locks each hoisting cylinder, prevents accidental lowering of load without hydraulic power. Sixty-gallon

fuel and hydraulic tanks are located inside the carrier's frame. Standard sizes from 60" high x 58" wide to 84" high x 82" wide are available.

Hyster Co.

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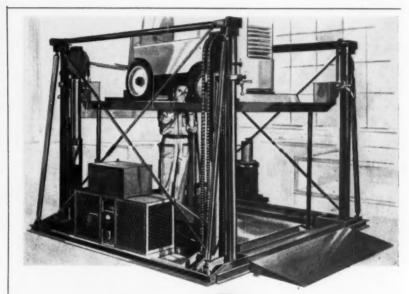
Tough Bottom on Tote Box

Duplex bottom tote boxes are for use on roller and skate wheel conveyors. They are lighter and stronger than boxes with full wooden bottoms, give a smoother ride than boxes with conventional shoes or runners. The box is vulcanized fibre, and the duplex bottom, riveted to the normal



fibre bottom, is made of a 5-ply vulcanized fibre and plywood plate ½ in. thick.

National Vulcanized Fibre Co. Circle 427 on Reader Service Card Continued on page 116



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PRODUCT NEWS

Space-saving Pallets

The Relae is a lightweight, compact pallet suitable for fork truck handling. Also sold with demountable legs and wheels which quickly convert it to a semi-live skid. Available in aluminum, steel, or wood. All feature slide-in legs and wheels, and come in standard and special pallet sizes. May be equipped with ends,

sides, and racks. An additional accessory, a manual or powered Spot-



ter, completes the unit. This provides easy pulling and turning.

Kappen Sales Co.

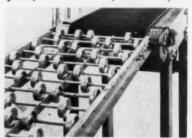
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Gravity Conveyors, Steel or Aluminum

Line of 15-inch wheel type gravity conveyor for handling packages, other smooth, flat-bottom materials is made of galvanized steel or heat-treated aluminum frames. Designed for use in many flow systems, can be set up quickly with other Hytrol conveyors



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Hytrol Conveyor Co., Inc.
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Two New Industrial Radios



The Dispatcher radio (top) mounts on any industrial vehicle. It's transistorized—highly reliable with low battery drain. Five-watt output gives clear reception even in noisy plants. The Handie-Talkie portable radiophone receiver (bottom) now works



with transistors. This doubles battery life, halves operating costs. Power output ranges from 1 to 8 watts.

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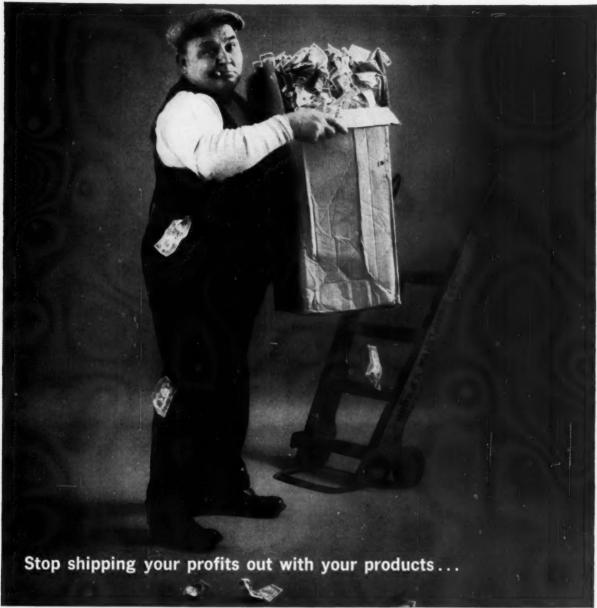
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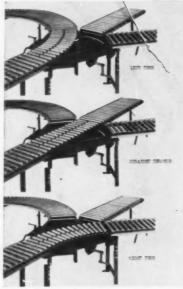
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PRODUCT NEWS

3-Way Conveyor Switch Units



Flexible roller curve units for switching conveyorized items onto spur lines left, right, or straight

through make conveyor systems more versatile. Models for three way, Y, or spur switchings are available. Switch units connect to gravity or power conveyors, operate by hand or by motor. Three-way switch model diverts materials from a common carrier 45-degrees left, right, or straight through, or material from any three lines can be channeled onto a common line. The Y switch diverts materials to right and left spur lines only. Spur switch model has straightthrough and either right or left hand position turn. The curve units are for 12-, 18-, or 24-inch conveyors, are designed with rollers in two lanes to assure material alignment around curves. Rollers can be pitched to aid gravity flow.

The Rapids-Standard Co. Inc.
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Rugged Dynamometer

TD Traction Dynamometer has ranges of 500 through 20,000 lb. Unusually rugged, unharmed by suddenly applied or released loads. Protects against climate and dust, has shatterproof glass, is corrosion resistant, conforms to Federal specs. Accurate to 1 percent of capacity. Good for measuring static and dynamic

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dust and dirt out. Part of the Payloader line, they're the Model H-60 with 1% cu. yd. capacity and the Model H-70 series C with 2% cu. vd. capacity. Both models also feature safety and ease of operation. Adjustable bucket seats, convenient controls, safety ladder with hand rails, maximum visibility.

The Frank G. Hough Co. Circle 433 on Reader Service Card

Roller Improves Truck

Rollers behind the nose of hand truck make it easier to load and unload. The Handi-Truck is made of



electrically welded steel tubing, has ball-bearing wheels, rubber tires. Southeastern Mfg., Inc.

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Superstrong Totebox

New "Hevy-Duty" totebox weighs only 4 lb., supports over 800 lb., as dramatic photo shows. (After 45



minutes the 8 x 11 in. bottoms deflected only 1/2 in. under this load!) These boxes are made of doublewall corrugated, impregnated with a chemical to produce the remarkable strength and rigidity. Upper edges are reinforced. In addition to the nesting style pictured, boxes are available in stacking, vertical-sided, bin-front, hopper-front, and nestacking models. There are 300 sizes. In quantity the 1½ cu. ft. box shown costs \$1.25 each. Convoy Inc.

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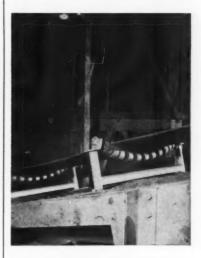
> > WIRE COIL RACKS

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PRODUCT

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Smooth-surface Conveyor Belting

Flat-top, hinged-steel conveyor belting can be installed above the floor, or flush with the floor. It han-



dles bulky, hot, or heavy materials and assemblies. Conveyors can be designed to transport loads in one, or in two directions. One-Way flattop belting is non-reversible. Two-Way is designed for reversible systems. Belting can negotiate convex or concave curves. The hinged-steel interlocking belt design maintains closely fitted joints at all times, provides a smooth carrying surface. Available in widths from 12 to 60 inches, 6 or 9-inch pitch links.

May-Fran Mfg. Co.
Circle 436 on Reader Service Card

150-Ton Lift

Blocks with 24" sheaves added to maker's high quality line. Available with 1 to 4 sheaves, 35 to 150-ton capacities. Three-sheave block lifts 90 tons.

Miller Swivel Products Co., Inc.
Circle 437 on Reader Service Card

Cushioned Skids Protect Shipments

Here's a cushioned skid for protecting heavy or bulk items within large skidded containers. Pacco cushioned skids fasten to the bottom of crates, large boxes, or pallets, protect the shipment from handling hazards. Company says you can eliminate elaborate shock isolation systems with these skids. Fifteen standard sizes available, to protect loads from 100 to 3,000 lb. Each skid has a cushioning pad of polystyrene foam (Resilo-



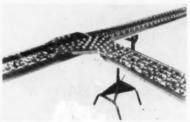
Pak). A 1%" thick pad within the skid is precompressed to 1%" to minimize drift and thickness loss.

Packaging & Converting Co., Inc.

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Accessories for Conveyors

Three new accessories increase the versatility of APC (Automatic Pres-



sure) conveyors. They're a flow diverter plate, gate, and snubber kit. The flow diverter plate (photo)



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The Rapids-Standard Co.
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All-steel Portable Dock

The Mobil-Board lets you spot trucks and trailers where you want them. Designed to give you full use



of your fork trucks. One fork fits into a swivel device, and the fork

lift driver then pushes (or pulls) the Mobil-Board to where it's needed. Company says this unit takes only one man to set-up or move, yet it gives the ruggedness and long life of an all-steel ramp.

Conrad Equipment Co.
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Stringless Tags

Tags with stripe of self-sticking adhesive don't need strings, go on



faster, save work. They make it possible to tag products on which string or stapled tags can't be used. The stripe of stickum on one end also enables you to use a new wraparound method of tagging, as illustrated.

Dennison Mfg. Co.
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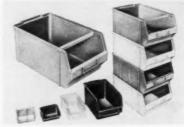
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PRODUCT NEWS

Large Size Tote Box

The company's new PB-4 Plastibox measures 13" x 8" x 6". Equipped with a stacking brace for safe, high stacks of fully-loaded boxes. Comes in green or yellow molded-in colors. Resists oil, water, and most chemicals. Accessories include mounting rails so the boxes can be used on Lewis floor trucks, floor, and bench



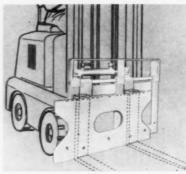
stands. You can compare its size to four other models also pictured.

G. B. Lewis Co.

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New Hook-Type Side Shifter

A hook-type side shifter hangs on standard fork plates, is used mainly with a pair of forks. It shifts the forks



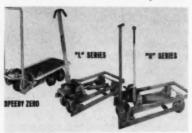
4 inches to either side of center. No moving plates to bear on the fork plate. Trouble-free movement. The side shifter takes capacities up to 10,000 lb. Upper sliding members are bronze-bushed with easily accessible grease fittings.

Little Giant Products Inc.
Circle 443 on Reader Service Card

New Skid Trucks

Three new trucks have capacities of 1,100 lb., 2,400 lb., and 4,800 lb. The 1,100-lb. model (pictured left) has 5% in. lowered height. It and Model L (2,400-lb. capacity) lift 2 in. mechanically in one stroke. Model L has hydraulically controlled low-

ering. The 4,800-lb. capacity Model H has a 2½ in. multistroke hydraulic



lift, and hydraulic lowering. Forged steel wheels are standard on Models L and H, but special wheels are obtainable for all models.

Stokvis Multiton Corp.

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Automatic Stenciler Weighs Only 20 Pounds

A lightweight electrically-powered stenciler. The Mark V Junior automatic stenciler can be hand held for



marking. Or you can suspend it from a counter-balanced arm. Stencil attaches easily to the under side. Can be changed in seconds. Only a few ounces of pressure are required to ink in the 3" x 8" stencil areas. Constant supply of ink from a built-in reservoir.

Ideal Stencil Machine Co.
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Vacuum Feeder

Designed to lift metal sheets from a stack and feed them vertically to a punch press or other operation. Has a



% horsepower motor, variable speed drive, and a complete vacuum system with % horsepower vacuum pump. Vacuum cups lift sheet from a stack. Automatic raising arms turn the sheet

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TERIAL HANDLING DIVISION
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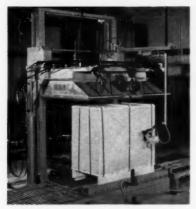
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to vertical position against powered, magnetic feeder rolls. The rolls hold the sheet in a vertical position while feeding.

The Union Tool Corp.
Circle 446 on Reader Service Card

Wraps, Straps 50% Faster

System enables 2 men to wrap and strap skids of paper fifty percent



faster than 3 men using old methods. Has wrapping station, that drapes paper around skid, and strapping station with CSF20 compression strapping machine. Big share of time saving results from new device that threads steel straps through small notches in the skid runners. Conveyor accurately indexes skid to line up notches with this strap threader.

Signode Steel Strapping Co.
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Lift Truck Scale

Hydroscale unit attaches to any fork lift truck. Can be put on and lock-clamped in a matter of minutes.



Models available for bracket type or bar type fork mountings. Scale capacities: 1,000 to 6,000 lb. Company says you can enjoy all the advantages of a mobile platform scale in your plant, storage yard, or loading dock. Lift truck scale is self-contained. There's no connection to the hydraulic system of the lift truck.

Hydroway Scales, Inc.
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PRODUCT

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tractors of popular makes. Includes side shifter, overhead safety guard, load limit control.

Henry Mfg. Co., Inc.

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Tapes Unit Loads Automatically

Automatic taper puts strip of pressure sensitive tape around top tier of unit load, whether on pallet, or unpalletized. Tape keeps load from shifting or falling. Takes only 8 sec-



onds to run tape around 4 sides, overlap end, cut and clamp. Accepts tape ¼-in. to 1½-in. in width. Adjustable to handle loads from 40 to 54 in. long, 28 to 72 in. high. Other models can be engineered for special size requirements. Can be integrated with any existing manual or automatic palletloading system.

Lathrop-Paulson Co.

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Blister Pack Machine

Pac-O-Vac 2400 forms, fills, seals automatically in one operation. Uses thermoplastic film from a roll. Product placed in blister manually or by machine feeder, blisters sealed to backing, and cut off into single or pre-count multiple packs.

Products Packaging Engineering

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Double-Depth Storage

Company calls its Glide-In Rack a new idea for order-picking systems. You get double-depth storage from the aisle. Second pallet moves forward as soon as front pallet is picked empty and removed. Rack will take



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New Narrow-Aisle Truck

Outrigger stand-up lift truck operates in 6-ft. aisles. Models in ton, 1½ton, and 2-ton capacities, with lift



height and straddle spread to suit user's specs. Features are: single lever control, which governs 3 speeds forward and reverse, raising and lowering forks, and horn; driver can control travel and lift simultaneously; electric interlocks prevent starting or reversing in any but first speed, and cut off power when brake is applied; knee action frame keeps all wheels in contact with floor to increase stability.

Automatic Transportation Co.
Circle 454 on Reader Service Card

Make Racks, Carts, Benches from Kits

You can assemble storage racks, work benches, carts using kits of al-



ready cut slotted angles. Kits include all assembly hardware. Offered as ready-to-assemble kits are: 120 storage units, 82 storage racks, 17 work benches, 13 tables plus foreman's desk, 27 carts.

Acme Steel Co.

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Wheeled Rails for Live Storage

You can build your live storage racks, pallet conveyors, work table feeds, using standard wheeled rails. There are two types. One is a rectangular tube with wheels mounted on both sides or only one side. It comes with 11 in. or 2 in. steel wheels, or 2 in. plastic wheels. The tubular cross-section resists twisting, and makes an integral row divider or conveyor edge guide. The second type is for handling heavy pallet loads. The wheels are mounted between strong steel channels; with 3-in. wheel spacing, this rail will handle 20 x 20 in. pallets weighing 2,000 lb.

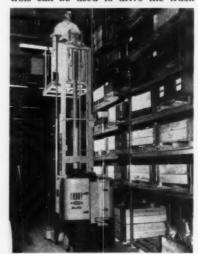


Rails are punched at 1-in. centers to allow any wheel spacing from 3 in. up. Maker also offers all the framing members and hardware accessories you need to build your own installations.

M-H Standard Corp.
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Platform Controls Have Safety Features

Driver can start, steer, and stop this electric lift truck, and raise or lower its platform, while he rides on the elevated platform. Four features insure safety: Speed of the truck is limited when the driver operates it from the platform. The elevated height from which the platform controls can be used to drive the truck



is limited. Full power steering gives the operator accurate directional control when he uses the platform con-

Raymond Corp.

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Light Where You Need It

A heavy duty dock light mounts on swing arms, gets light right where needed without extension drop cords.

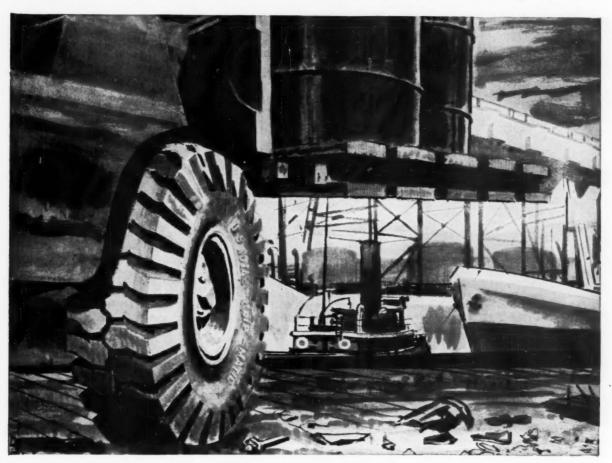


Places light source 10 to 15 ft. closer to truck and trailer doors. Avoids blinding of workers. Sealed beam bulb recessed for extra protection. Mounts on beams, doors, wood or concrete walls. Takes standard bulbs, 75 to 300 watts.

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MATERIAL HANDLING ENGINEERING

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NIPHLE ANNUAL ACHIEVEMENT awards: E. C. (Ed) Campbell (left) who received the 1961 National Institute of Packaging, Handling and Logistic Engineers annual achievement award for material handling looks on as Thomas Babbington (center) presents the Institute's Packaging achievement award to L. C. (Les) Heller. Campbell is head of the Navy Bureau of Supplies and Accounts Warehouse Operations Branch. Heller is chief civilian of the Office of Naval Material, Packaging Branch. The NIPHLE awards go to persons who have made continued outstanding contributions to government packaging, handling, or logistics.

New officers NIPHLE of the National Institute of Packaging, Handling and Logistic Engineers are: H. M. Lapidus, Navy Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, president; R. A. Norris, Armed Forces Supply Support Center, vice president, packaging; Jackson B. Weaver, Packaging and Converting Co., Inc., vice president, handling; Charles A. Lewis, Business and Defense Services, Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, vice president, logistics; Paul M. Zerr, Reed Research, Inc., recording secretary; Howard R. Hudson, National Wooden Box Association, corresponding secretary; and John P. Martin, Navy Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, treasurer. Leonard E. Fagan, of the Federal Supply Service, continues as editor of the NIPHLE bulletin.

Early spring industry meetings of the Material Handling Institute, Inc.; the Industrial Truck Association; and the Monorail Manufacturers Association; will be held Feb. 6 through 8, 1962, at the Hilton

Inn, Atlanta, Ga.

Thirteen past presidents of MHI were honored at the Joint Industry Annual-Business-Social meetings held Oct. 30 through Nov. 1. Given specific recognition for their contributions to the industry and MHI were: L. J. Kline, the late S. K. Towson, Sr., Samuel W. Gibb, James H. W. Conklin, John G. Bucuss, L. West Shea, Howard M. Palmer, C. B. Elledge, R. H. Davies, G. G. Raymond, Jr., R. L. Fairbank, Eugene Caldwell, and C. L. Fell.

The liquefied NLPGC petroleum gas industry will celebrate its 50th anniversary in 1962. Donald G. O'Meara, president of the National LP-Gas Council said the industry will enter its second half century with production well in excess of ten billion gallons a year. This compares with production of less than 4.5 billion gallons as recently as 1952. The Industry's 50th anniversary program will be highlighted throughout 1962 at conventions of the industry's 44 national, regional, and state trade associations. More than 30,000 dealers, together with distributors, processors, and manufacturers, will participate in national and local level commemorative and sales programs coordinated by the Council. O'Meara says that estimating another doubling of demand for LP-Gas within the next 10 years, the industry has invested six billion dollars in facilities to provide adequate production and distribution by pipeline, tank car, ship, and bulk tank truck.

Shipments of folding cartons during the second quarter of 1961 were almost 7 percent ahead of the first quarter and even with the dollar volume recorded in the second quarter of last year. The Folding Paper Box Association of America reports that although the tonnage of cartons shipped in June this year was only 100 tons under the same period in 1960, dollar volume slipped \$1 million, Industry volume for this year is estimated at \$81.7 million, compared with \$82.7 million in June, 1960. New orders for folding cartons in the second quarter were up 3.8 percent in dollar volume and 4.5 percent in tonnage over the same period last year.

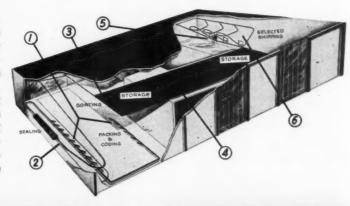
D. A. Forsberg, president, Forsberg Paper Box Co., has been reelected president of the Folding Paper Box Association of America. New members of the association's executive committee are: W. W. Fitzhugh, Jr., president, New Haven Board & Carton Co.; and E. B. Wall, vice president, Federal Paper Board Co. Inc. Continuing members are: Herbert C. Bernard, Shuttleworth Carton Co.; Charles Ruble, Sr., Standard Paper Box Co.; Leo H. Schoenhofen, Container Corporation of America; and C. B. Stauffacher, Continental Can Co.

the Society of Packaging and Handling Engineers held "Military Night" Sept. 18th as the group heard Seymour Stambler, head of the Packaging and Research Branch of Supply Engineering, Naval Supply Research and Development, Bayonne, N. J. He discussed current concepts in military packaging.



How a Standard Conveyor custom-engineered system at IBM provides · simple electronic sorting · space-saving gravity storage · push-button order filling · one-man operation

IBM's punched card plant at Concord, Mass. turns out hundreds of millions of cards per year for its New England customers. The mere physical handling of this massive volume is a problem in itself—and it becomes even trickier because each order is unique, usable only by one customer. Complicating the problem, each carton of 10,000 cards is outwardly identical, except for the shipping label. Here's how Standard Conveyor's System Specialists helped IBM work out a simple mechanized system to solve the intricate sorting and storing problem.

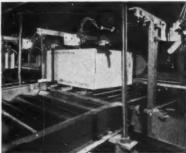




1 At card manufacturing machine station, each full carton is automatically coded by a brass staple as it enters conveyor system. Staple position determines to which storage line carton will go. Staple does not penetrate inside of carton.



Boxes from various stations, representing different customer orders, are intermixed on main conveyor line. After being closed and sealed they are turned on their sides before being routed to sorting and storage conveyors.



On sorting conveyor, position of coding staple, now on top, is sensed by electrical brass-fingered reader. If reader contacts staple, a retractable stop pops up and air actuated ram pushes carton into correct storage line.



A Six of the 16 ceiling-hung storage lines as seen from the sorting area. Each customer order is now in one line and may consist of any number of cartons.



5 Shipping clerk at order filling console knows from his shipping card where orders are stored, how many cartons each order contains, and which carrier gets which order. When truck arrives, clerk selects order desired—rest is automatic.



6 Cartons enter shipping room from storage lines at left. Shipping clerk also operates electrical diverters from console to route each order into one of four chutes. Thus, one man controls the entire sorting and storing system.



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INDUSTRY

NEWS

Towmotor Corp. Announces Additional Management Changes

Towmotor Corporation announces three major promotions, additional

steps in its program of management expansion.



and advertising. W. L. Utley becomes assistant to the president, in addition to his post as assistant secretary. Wessman joined



and Repair Departments.

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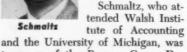
Roth has been with the firm since 1946. He formerly was with The B.F. Goodrich Co. and Talon, Inc. in various sales and advertising positions.

Utley joined Towmotor in 1941 after several years with Reliance Electric and Engineering Co. He is a national director and past vice president of S.P.H.E.



Arthur X. Schmaltz has been appointed controller of Brooks & Perkins,

Inc., Detroit manufacturer of aerospace assemblies and light metals products for industry. He succeeds the late L. A. Curnoe



treasurer of the Parsons Corp., Detroit, for 18 years.

Fastener Corp.'s New Plant

Fastener Corp's new manufacturing plant is nearing completion at the company's 37 acre site, Franklin Park, Ill.

John A. Torstenson, president of Fastener, says the plant will almost triple manufacturing facilities of Duo-Fast staplers, tackers, nailers, and staples. It will also house Engineering and Personnel Departments.

Allis-Chalmers Changes Lift Truck Colors

Beginning Sept. 1, all lift trucks coming off the production line at the Harvey, Ill. Works were painted Allis-Chalmers vellow. This replaces the widely known Allis-Chalmers orange, which has identified the trucks in the past. The company recently adopted yellow for its construction, utility, and other industrial equipment because of its international identification with safety.

Mead Buys Three Container

The Mead Corp. has purchased the Waterloo Container Corp. and Waterloo Corrugated Box Co. of Waterloo, Iowa, and the Fort Dodge Container Corp., Fort Dodge, Iowa.

General Sales Manager Post

J. Thomas Schank has been named general sales manager of the Paslode Co., Chicago. Paslode is a division of Signode Steel Strapping Co. Schank joined Signode in 1954.

Clark Equipment Appoints Industrial Relations Manager

George Plaut has been appointed manager, industrial relations, of Clark Equipment Co. For the last two years, he was with Daystrom, Inc., most recently as director of industrial relations.

Bucyrus-Erie Appointment Donald W. Waack has been appointed manager of sales promotion at Bucyrus-Erie Co., South Milwaukee. He had been assistant sales development manager for Schield Bantam Co.

Penco Division Top Posts
Carl B. Smith and Frank Spaniel have been appointed general manager and general superintendent respectively of the Oaks, Pa. Steel Storage Equipment Co. Smith was formerly acting general manager of Penco Division. He joined the parent firm, Alan Wood Steel Co. in 1952. Spaniel joined the company in July, 1957. His most recent position was manager of production, Penco Divi-

Hughes Named General Manager at Globe Pacific Hoist Co.

Paul E. Hughes has been named general manager of Globe Pacific Hoist Co., Long Beach, Calif. This is the West Coast Division of Globe Hoist Co.

Hughes succeeds John R. Queen, executive head since 1955. He has joined the Shields, Harper and Co. as president.



SIGNING A BASIC AGREEMENT between Towmotor Corp. and Lansing Bagnall Ltd., England, is Lester M. Sears, Towmotor chairman. Looking on is C. E. Smith, Towmotor president. Lansing Bagnall will make Towmotor products and distribute them in England, Continental Europe, and other foreign countries. Towmotor will make and distribute in this country Lansing Bagnall electrically-powered fork lift and industrial trucks.

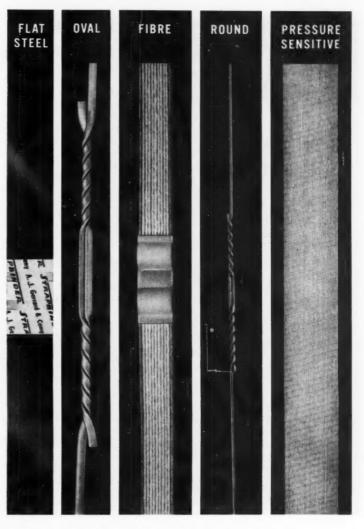
Fuller Appoints Cole to Advertising Post

Henry J. Cole has been appointed assistant advertising manager of the Fuller Co. Cole joined Fuller after five years as advertising manager of Atlas Mineral Products Co., Mertztown, Pa.

The Elwell-Parker Electric Co. has a new distributor in the Dallas area: Mayse Industrial Equipment Co. Mayse is headed by Floyd M. Mayse, formerly a district sales manager for the Lamson Mobilift Corp.

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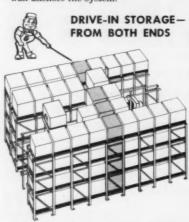
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This is for solid pallet or skidded material. Each bay stores similar materialfirst pallet in is last pallet out. This "Ridg-U-rak" is self-supporting - a Super Rigid Basic Section next to the wall anchors the system.



Super Rigid Basic Section in the middle anchors and divides the system to permit a wide variety of pallet or skid material.

For catalog on these 2 methods of Drive-In "Ridg-U-raks" and Drive-Thru Systems, ask for Cat. 111H. For Single Pallet deep "Ridg-U-raks", ask for Cat. 107B-1J

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Bostitch Purchases

Calwire Products, Inc.
The purchase of Calwire Products, Inc., and Calnail, Inc., its selling organization, is announced by Bostitch, Inc.

Manufacture of Calwire products will continue in the Visalia, Calif. plant. Sales and service activities will be directed from Rhode Island through the Bostitch national sales organization and through distributors in over 50 foreign countries.

Labelon Tape Co. Moves

Labelon Tape Co., now a division of Labelon Corp. has transferred manufacturing facilities and headquarters to 10 Chapin street, Canandaigua, N.Y. This is 25 miles southeast of Rochester, former location.

CompuDyne Buys Two Companies Acquisition of TransWeigh Co., King of Prussia, Pa., and Automatic Measurement Corp., Phoenixville, Pa. is announced by CompuDyne Corp., Hatboro, Pa. Both companies will function with Weighing and Controls, Inc., a CompuDyne subsidiary.

Semco, Sweet & Mayers Purchase L.A. Building

Nationally known consulting industrial engineers Semco, Sweet & Mayers have their own office building in Los Angeles as of June 1. Location is at 2835 Gilroy street.

Balemaster Acquires Balewell

Manufacturing Rights
East Chicago Machine Tool Corp. has acquired the name "Balewell" and the manufacturing rights to the products of the Baler Corp., Lancaster, N.Y. The Balemaster Division plant of the East Chicago firm takes over the added line.

New Posts Filled At Clark Equipment Co.

The Industrial Truck Division of Clark Equipment Co. has appointed Warren Henderson as Great Lakes district manager. Edward Sperr has been named sales manager of Clark's Chicago sales and service facility. Both will headquarter in Chicago.

Caterpillar Forms Switzerland Branch

Caterpillar Tractor Co. has formed a Switzerland subsidiary company called Caterpillar Overseas, S.A. Headquarters are in Geneva.

V. V. Grant is president of the new company. Other officers are: R. H. Deffenbaugh, secretary-treasurer; J. R. Hawk, sales manager; and G. J. Preston, Parts and Service Man-

General Precision Division Appoints Material Manager

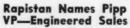
W. J. Flanagan has been appointed material manager of the Glendale,

California branch of Librascope Division, General Precision,

Flanagan will be responsible for branch purchasing, material control, inventory, and material receiving activi-

ties. Before joining Librascope, Flanagan was general manager of Pacific Automation Products.

The Librascope Branch produces computers and associated fire control equipment for the Navy's ASROC and Polaris missiles, and a new undersea antisubmarine weapon.



Flanagan

Walter B. Pipp has been named a vice president of The Rapids-Stand-



Pipp

ard Co., Înc., Grand Rapids, Mich. He has been with the company for over 12 years, and was manager of engineered sales for the last 6 years. He has served as assistant to the president, assistant

to the vice president of manufacturing and engineering, and plant manager of the Plymouth Road Plant.

His promotion coincides with the new and expanded facilities for systems engineering at the firm's plant in Grand Rapids.

Two Engineers Join Arthur D. Little, Inc.

Dr. William S. Tandler, system automation engineer, and David N. Smith, automatic controls engineer, have joined Arthur D. Little, Inc., industrial research company of Cambridge, Mass.

Dr. Tandler has worked 25 years in the technical and economic aspects of systems automation in the US and Europe. He was president of the Warner and Swasey Research Corp., with which he has previously merged his own firm.

Mr. Smith has worked in machine

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control and instrumentation at Jones & Lamson Machinery Co., Sperry Rand, and at American Machine & Foundry.

Establish M H Firm
Frank P. Alcock, former partner of Ajay Co., Montebello, Calif., has sold his interest in that material handling firm to establish the F. P. Alcock Co., Downey, Calif.

The company will handle a varied line of material handling equipment, acting as factory representatives for southern California and Arizona, The firm offers sales, and installation, as well as consultation.

Union Asbestos Acquires

Arrow Products, Inc.
Union Asbestos & Rubber Co., Chicago, has acquired all of the stock of Arrow Products, Inc., manufacturers of belt, wheel, and roller type conveyors, and the plant occupied by Arrow at Grand Haven, Mich.

Edwin E. Hokin, president of Union Asbestos, says the Arrow products will complement Union Asbestos' line of Sturdi-Bilt storage racks, and "make an important addition to the company's Material Handling Division.

Fallon to Address AMA Warehouse Seminar

Charles M. Fallon, General Manager of MHE, will address the American Management Association seminar dealing with "Order Picking, Packing, and Warehousing," to be held at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, November 13 to 14. Fallon's subject will be "Comparative Analysis of Order Picking Systems." The seminar will cover systems, cost control, facilities, automatic data processing, packing methods, and service standards in modern warehouses. Other speakers will include F. H. Bergholdt, California Packing Corp.; Burley T. Cram, Sylvania Electric Products, Inc.; Neal Wells, Jerseymaid Products, Inc.; John W. Crowe, S. & W. Fine Foods, Inc.; Andrew Briggs, The May Co.; Allen W. Merriam, Raytheon Co.

Allis-Chalmers Appoints

Manager of Engine Engineering Douglas W. Erskine has been appointed manager of engine engineering at the Harvey, Ill. works of Allis-Chalmers.

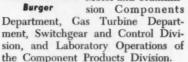
Austin-Western Names District Service Manager

George N. Geers will serve as district service manager for Austin-Western, Construction Equipment Division, Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton Corp. His territory is the New England states.

Burger New President of LeTourneau-Westinghouse

Lewis J. Burger has been named president of LeTourneau-Westing-

house Co., succeeding Merle R. Yontz. Burger formerly was with General Electric in various management capacities. He was general manager of the Gear Motor and Transmis-



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Towmotor Appoints New Assistant Sales Manager

Roland D. Jones has been appointed assistant sales manager for Tow-



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motor Corp. His main responsibility will be merchandising electric-powered industrial trucks.

Jones has been a director of The Material Handling Institute. His entire career has been in

material handling. He is a graduate of Dartmouth College, and he received his Master's Degree from the University of Chicago where he was enrolled in the Executive Program.

Clark Opens Factory Branch in Cleveland

Clark Equipment Co's Industrial Truck Division has opened a new factory branch to sell and service its line of material handling equipment in the Cleveland area.

The new facility is at 9601 Granger Road, Garfield Heights, Ohio. J.

D. Goodson, branch manager, says the new branch will stock \$500,000 worth of equipment and parts. About 80 percent of the 23,400 sq. ft. building will be devoted to service facilities and parts warehousing. Maintenance equipment includes a fleet of 13 field service vehicles.

The branch also provides rental equipment, used trucks, and a variety of equipment procurement plans.

Hanchett Magna-Lock

Appoints Sales Manager
Bert G. Thorstenson has been appointed sales manager of Hanchett



Thorstenson

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Magna-Lock Corp.,

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the Magnetic Products Division of

Sundstrand Corp. for 10 years prior to his present position.

He has also held responsible engineering positions with Woodward Governor Co., George D. Roper Corp., Fairbanks Morse & Co.'s Locomotive Division, Ipsen Industries, and Burd Piston Ring Co.



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Circle 86 on Reader Service Card MATERIAL HANDLING ENGINEERING

General Electric Appointment Benjamin F. Bennett has been appointed manager of general industry engineering at the General Electric Industry Control Department, Salem, Va. He has been with GE since 1941. He formerly was senior application engineer for the material handling industry with GE's Industrial Sales Operation, Schenectady, N.Y.

Ohio Electric Names Sales Manager—Magnetics Edward H. Richard has been

named sales manager-magnetics for



The Ohio Electric Mfg. Co., subsidiarv of Howell Electric Motors Co. Richard has been

with the company two years. Before that, he worked on a survey on mechanization in the scrap

industry, in conjunction with the Institute of Scrap Iron and Steel.

W. P. White Named

Appleton Executive VP W. P. White, Jr., has been appointed executive vice president of Appleton Electric Co. He formerly

was associated with the Continental Can Co. and the White Cap Co.

Major Appointments at H. J. Heinz Company

Two appointments in the Distribution Division of the H. J. Heinz Co. are announced by Ross E. Jones, vice president, distribution.

John B. Carnahan has been named assistant to the vice president, dis-





tribution; and Grant E. Jackson has been named manager, transportation and warehousing.

Carnahan joined Heinz as a material handling staff member in 1946. He has just returned to Pittsburgh after completing a year of study at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He received a master of science degree in industrial management.

Jackson joined Heinz in 1948 as Continued on next page

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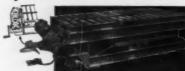
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Material Handling Specialists Join M. E. Canfield Company Sherwood Case, sales engineer,

and Lynn Griffin, conveyor special-





Griffin

ist, have joined the M. E. Canfield Co., Los Angeles.

Case has been in the material handling field since 1945. He operated his own business in Denver.

Griffin was sales and materials handling coordinator for a southern California plant prior to joining the Canfield organization.

Distributor News

and Company Reps
The Elwell-Parker Electric Co. has appointed Penn Industrial Equipment Co., Lancaster, Pa. as its central Pennsylvania representa-

Rapistan of New York, Inc. has appointed William E. Curran Rochester sales representative specializing in Hyster fork lift trucks and unit load handling. He will cover Rochester and the Southern East part of New York State. Curran was formerly with Morrison Company in Cleveland for 16 years.

Hartman Metal Fabricators, Inc. has appointed the M. W. McMillan Co. in Cincinnati as a representative. Territory includes: southwestern Ohio, southeastern Indiana, and northeastern Kentucky. Hartman has also appointed two dockboard distributors. They are the Col-Mer Co. in Columbus, Ohio and the John J. Connell Co. in St. Louis.

Nutting Truck and Caster Co. has named the Rayhaven Equipment Co., Inc., Detroit, its sales representative in the Detroit area.

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Circle 126 on Reader Service Card MATERIAL HANDLING ENGINEERING has granted a franchise for forklift trucks and towing tractors to the Minnesota Bearing Co. of Minne-

Irving T. Bartlett, Jr., Rumson, N.J. has been named head of sales in Jersey City, N.J. for C & D Bat-

Federal Fibre Corp. has appointed two manufacturer's representatives. John McKenney, of Maxwell-McKenney & Co., Philadelphia, and Clayton Hall, of Dallas, Texas have been given terri-

Chainveyor Corp. has appointed Albert C. Kruse as factory manager for their Los Angeles facilities. Chainveyor has also appointed T. & T. Works, Ltd., Billesdon, Leicester, England a manufacturing and engineering outlet.

Lloyd L. Otto has been appointed sales manager of Canadian Clark, Ltd., manufacturers of the Michigan line of construction equipment in Canada.

Motorola Communications and Electronics, Inc. has made three promotions in its Pacific Northwest sales organizations. Joseph V. Guido has been named regional sales man-ager. Succeeding him as account executive in Washington and Oregon is D. Edward Williams. Moving into Williams' former position as Seattle Zone sales manager is Robert H. Maki.

Yale Materials Handling Division, Yale & Towne, has named The Simplex Sales Co., Hialeah, Florida a franchised representative. In other company changes, Roy Perlar has been appointed manager of the com-pany's New York sales and service

Cleveland Tramrail and Steelweld Machinery Divisions of The Cleveland Crane & Engineering Co. have appointed Vernon B. Jensen district manager.

Lamson Corp. has Roy Anderson, field engineer, operating out of its Philadelphia office. He serves Maryland, Virginia, and West Virginia. He specializes in conveyor and automatic pallet loader systems for Lamson's Industrial Division.

Industrial Truck Division, Clark Equipment Co. has named Aspen Equipment Co., Denver a new dealer. Area includes Colorado, 8 southeastern Wyoming counties, and 11 counties in western Nebraska. In another appointment, Clark named James L. Frost manager of its New Orleans sales and service outlet.

Union Steel Products Co. and Banner Metals, Inc. have jointly appointed the Stanley E. Morris Co., Los Angeles as their southern California representative.

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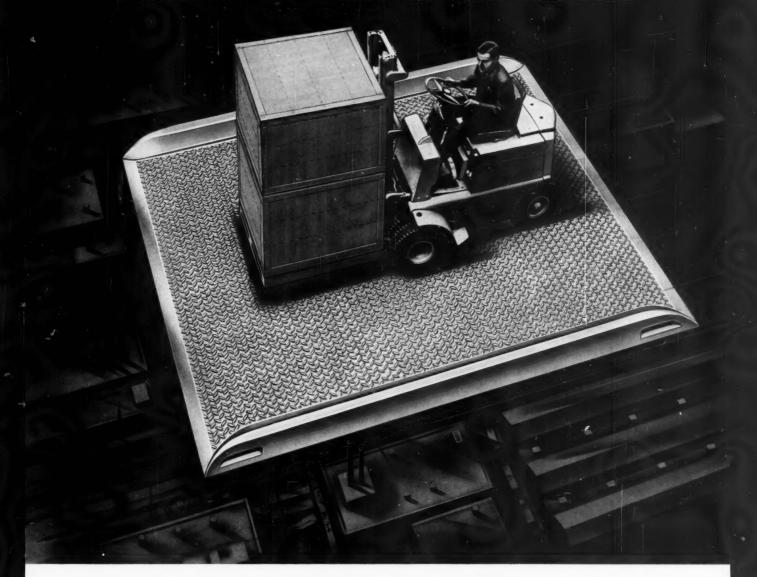
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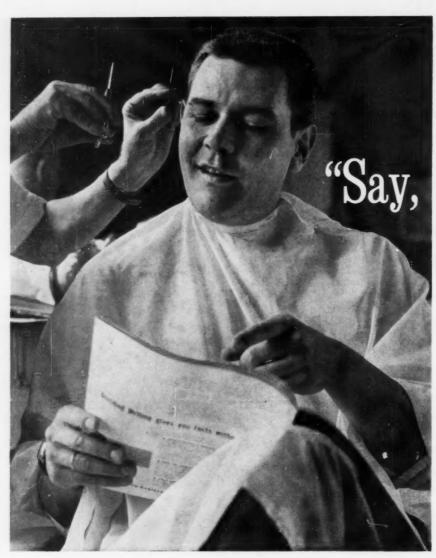


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